

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 09 March 2005 – 08:00 10 March 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

| EVENT | WEST BANK | GAZA STRIP | TOTAL | NOTES |
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| Death | 1 | — | 1 | In An Nazla Al Wusta in Tulkarem |
| Physical Assault | 1 | — | 1 | A number of students severely beaten |
| Injury | 1 | — | 1 | Along Al Badhan road |
| Attacks | 4 | 7 | 11 | Incl. 1 during raid & 9 from posts |
| Raids | 21 | 1 | 22 | Incl. 6 in Tulkarem & 7 in Bethlehem |
| Air Patrol | 1 | — | 1 | Incl. over Baqa Ash Sharqiya |
| Arrests (per person) | 28 | — | 28 | Incl. 1 in Jerusalem & 12 in Tulkarem |
| Detentions | 8 | — | 8 | Incl. at checkpoints |
| House Demolition | 1 | — | 1 | In the village of An Nazla Al Wusta |
| Wall Construction | 20 | — | 20 | Incl. Jer., Jenin, Ram'lah, Beth., Salfit |
| Destruction of Property | 6 | — | 6 | Incl. 1 civilian vehicle destroyed |
| Land Confiscation | 1 | — | 1 | 27 dunums in Dahiyat Al Bareed |
| Confiscation of Property | — | 1 | 1 | Soil transported to the Green Line |
| Curfews | 4 | — | 4 | Incl. the old city of Hebron |
| Checkpoints | (All) | — | (All) | |
| Flying Checkpoints | 10 | — | 10 | Incl. 5 in Tulkarem & 2 in Bethlehem |
| Closure (per District) | 6 | — | 6 | Incl. Jerusalem and Jericho (partially) |
| Closure of Main Roads | (Unidentified) | (9) | — | Incl. 2 partially |
| Closure of Wall Gates | (All) | — | (All) | Incl. medics denied access to Ras Tira |
| Closure of Crossing Points | — | 3 | 3 | Incl. 2 partially open |
| Medical Obstruction | 1 | — | 1 | Medical team denied access |
| Attack on Religious Sites | 1 | — | 1 | The Ibrahimi Mosque closed |
| School Disruption | 1 | — | 1 | University students denied access |
| Settler Violence | 3 | — | 3 | Incl. olive and vine trees uprooted |
| Provocation of Pal. Forces | 1 | — | 1 | 1 National Security vehicle detained |
| Palestinian Attack | 1 | — | 1 | Open fire towards 1 mil. post |
| Pal. Security Measures | — | 2 | 2 | Incl. attempt to fire 1 mortar blocked |
| Demonstration | 1 | — | 1 | In Tulkarem supporting prisoners |
| TOTAL | 122 | 14 | 136 | |

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

WEST BANK

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| JERUSALEM | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. The Israeli army continues to close Ar Ram junction leading to the town of Bir Nabala. On the morning of 09 March 2005, the Israeli army imposed a total closure on the village of Hizma, allegedly because stones were thrown at Israeli settlers' vehicles. 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, the village of Beit Surik, 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. Arrest: At 11:00, the Israeli army arrested Ayman Wahid Adh Dhumeiri from the city of Hebron in the town of Abu Dis. Land Confiscation: Israeli authorities decided to confiscate 27 <i>dunums</i> (6.75 acres) of land in Dahiyat Al Bareed in the city of Jerusalem for expansion of the settlement of Neve Ya'akov and construction of the Wall. |
| 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. Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> At 12:25, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Bir Zeit, set up a checkpoint, and arrested 4 civilians. At 15:10, an Israeli army patrol raided Al Jalazun refugee camp and arrested 1 child. |

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| | <p>(iii) At 23:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Ramallah, searched 1 house in the neighbourhood of Um Ash Sharayet, and withdrew at 23:45.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: <p>(i) On 08 March 2005, the Israeli army arrested Palestinian National Security first lieutenant Mahmoud Ahmed Omar.</p> <p>The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the town of Bir Zeit:</p> <p>(ii) Taha Nabil Al Afaghani;</p> <p>(iii) Ibrahim Hussam;</p> <p>(iv) Abdul Rahman Anbar; and</p> <p>(v) Taha Kharroub.</p> <p>(vi) The Israeli army arrested 15-year-old Rizq Barakat 'Armoush in Al Jalazun refugee camp.</p> |
| JENIN | <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. |
| 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. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Raids/Curfew: <p>(i) At 07:30 on 09 March 2005, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided Nur Shams refugee camp and patrolled the area until 08:10.</p> <p>(ii) At 18:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Baqa Ash Sharqiya and the villages of An Nazla Al Wusta and Seida. Israeli army helicopters patrolled the skies over the area. The Israeli army imposed curfew and set up 4 checkpoints in the area of Ras Rummana, at the entrances to the villages of An Nazla Al Wusta and An Nazla Al Gharbiya, and on the junction to the town of Qaffin, closing the area. The Israeli army also opened indiscriminate fire while searching a number of houses, killing 1 civilian in the village of An Nazla Al Wusta, arrested 12 civilians, and demolished the house in which the killed civilian was present. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Killing: The Israeli army killed Mohammed Hussein Abu Khazneh in the village of An Nazla Al Wusta. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 12 civilians in the town of Baqa Ash Sharqiya and the village of An Nazla Al Wusta: <p>(i) Nafez Ahmed Jaber;</p> <p>(ii) Haytham Al Ashqar;</p> <p>(iii) Marwan Rasmi Jaber;</p> |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iv) Murad Rasmi Jaber; (v) Mohammed Rasmi Jaber; (vi) Shafiq Ahmed Jaber; (vii) Zuheir Ahmed Jaber; (viii) Mohammed Hatem Nasr Allah; (ix) Bashar Fakhri Jaber; (x) Mohammed Rifqi Jaber; (xi) Haytham Fadhl Thib; and (xii) ‘Imad Jaber. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • House Demolition: The Israeli army demolished 1 house in the village of An Nazla Al Wusta belonging to Kheiri Wajih Tawfiq Kittaneh. • Demonstration: At 10:30, a mass demonstration took place in the city of Tulkarem in solidarity with political prisoners held in Israeli prisons. |
| <p style="text-align: center;">QALQILYA</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates/Medical Obstruction: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. (ii) Israeli troops positioned at the Wall gate to the village of Ras Tira, which is located behind the Wall, prevented a medical team from entering the village. • Flying Checkpoint: At 20:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the towns of ‘Azzun and Kafr Thulth, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians’ IDs. • Settler Violence: A group of Israeli settlers from the settlement outpost of Al Matan uprooted a large number of olive trees in surrounding civilian land for expansion of the settlement outpost. |
| <p style="text-align: center;">NABLUS</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoints/School Disruption: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Huwwara and Beit Iba checkpoints and prevented An Najah University students from crossing the 2 checkpoints and reaching their university. • Flying Checkpoint/Destruction of Property: At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along Al Bathan road between the cities of Nablus and Jericho. Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint opened fire towards 1 civilian vehicle, allegedly because its driver did not stop at the checkpoint, arrested all 5 civilians who were in the vehicle, including the injured driver, and destroyed the vehicle (using explosives). • Raid: At 19:40, the Israeli army, including 9 jeeps, raided the city of Nablus and ‘Askar refugee camp and patrolled the area. • Arrests: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road arrested 5 civilians: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Ahmed Al Khlili, an injured civilian; (ii) Rasem Hafeht Salahat; (iii) Yasser Sabah Faris; (iv) Ghassan Hassan At Tayeh; and (v) Matar Rabah Salahat. |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> At 11:30, an Israeli Police patrol detained 1 Palestinian National Security vehicle on the junction to the village of Beita and destroyed one of the vehicle doors, while thoroughly searching it. • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 01:00, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards an Israeli army military post over Jarzim Mount. The Israeli army responded by opening fire towards neighbouring civilian houses. |
| SALFIT | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the town of Deir Ballut and the village of Az Zawiya near the Green Line. |
| 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> At 09:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint along the main road between the cities of Jericho and Nablus, allegedly to conduct thorough searches, thereby obstructing civilian movement. |
| 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>Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:15, an Israeli army patrol raided 'Ayda refugee camp. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and school students while patrolling the areas surrounding the schools in the refugee camp. (ii) At 10:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr. At 17:00, the Israeli army raided the town again, set up a checkpoint in the centre of the town, detained 1 Palestinian National Security officer, and tore apart his ID card. (iii) At 18:40, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Dar Salah, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 00:25, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the cities of Beit Jala and Bethlehem and Ad Duheisha refugee camp and patrolled the area. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 2 children near Bilal Bin Rabah Mosque (Rachel's Tomb): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 12-year-old Mohammed Issa Fawaghreh; and |

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| | <p>(ii) 14-year-old Khalil Mousa Fawaghreh.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Settler Violence: An Israeli settler from the settlement of Daniel uprooted vine trees in civilian land and prevented civilians from accessing their land at gunpoint. |
| 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 access for civilians and vehicles. • 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. • Raid/Destruction of Property: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 01:00 on 09 March 2005, the Israeli army raided the village of As Simiya northwest of the town of As Samoa', searched 1 house after detaining its residents outside, and arrested 1 civilian. (ii) At 12:00, Israeli army patrols raided the city of Hebron and patrolled several neighbourhoods. (iii) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Khirbet As Salama west of the town of Dura and raided the villages' school after destroying its doors. • Arrests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested Nayef Abdul 'Aziz 'Aql in the village of As Simiya. (ii) At 21:20, Israeli troops positioned at the entrance to the settlement of Sussia arrested Yousef Mohammed Manasrah from the town of Bani Na'im. • Curfew/Physical Assault/Attack on Religious Sites: Beginning at 09:30 on 07 March 2005, the Israeli army continues to impose curfew on neighbourhoods in the old city of Hebron and prevented civilians from entering or exiting the area. The Israeli army also destroyed the doors of a number of houses and shops, searched them, detained dozens of students for an extended period of time, searched their school bags, and severely beat a number of students. The Israeli army also continued to close the Ibrahimi Mosque, preventing worshippers from conducting prayers in the mosque. • Settler Violence: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) A group of Israeli settlers from Ramat Yishay settlement outpost in Tall Rumeideh in the old city of Hebron threw stones at civilian houses in the neighbourhood of Tall Rumeideh. (ii) A group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Kiryat Arba' assaulted civilians and prevented them from travelling along the only road in the area, claiming that it is strictly allocated for Israeli settlers. |

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| 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. |
| CENTRAL GAZA | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attack: At 15:05, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 3 towards 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. • Attack: At 10:25, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 10 towards civilian houses in West Khan Yunis refugee camp. • Confiscation of Property: At 12:45, the Israeli army transported large quantities of soil from the area east of Abu Holi checkpoint to the areas inside the Green Line. • Palestinian Security Measures: At 02:10, Palestinian security forces managed to block an attempt by armed Palestinian individuals to fire 1 anti-tank mortar (a primitive type called Battar) and confiscated it, after the armed individuals fled away. |
| 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 to construction cargo only. • Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:45, the Israeli army opened fire from its locations at Points 7 and 8.5 along the Palestinian-Egyptian border towards civilian houses in the neighbourhoods of Yabna and Ash Sha'ut in Rafah refugee camp. (ii) At 15:20, and again at 15:35 and at 16:30, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 8 along the Palestinian-Egyptian border towards civilian houses in the neighbourhood of Yabna in Rafah refugee camp. |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Raids:</u> At 15:00, the Israeli army, including 3 trucks (1 of which was transporting concrete foundations and another of which was transporting ready-made concrete along with 4 bulldozers) raided the area between Points 7 and 8.5 along the Palestinian-Egyptian border opposite Salah Ad Din gate and Ash Sha'ut neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp, and carried out activities of an unknown nature.• <u>Palestinian Security Measures:</u> At 20:50, Palestinian security forces began searching for a tunnel in the area surrounding Rafah Crossing. |
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