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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 09 March 2006 – 08:00 10 March 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	—	1	1	1 civilian left with contusions, Gaza
Injuries	—	5	5	Family members in Northern Gaza
Attacks	3	4	7	Incl. 18 artillery shells fired, N. Gaza
Raids	18	—	18	Incl. 8 in Ramallah & 3 in Bethlehem
Arrests	18	1	19	Incl. 1 Palestinian Police officer
Detentions	13	—	13	Incl. 4 Palestinian security officers
Land Levelling	1	—	1	Near Deir Ballut in Salfit district
Wall Construction	28	—	28	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	2	—	2	Incl. an electricity network damaged
House Occupation	1	—	1	Converted into a mil. post in Hebron
Curfew	1	—	1	Over the village of Madama, Nablus
Closure of Checkpoints	3	—	3	Incl. Einav & Ein Duyuk checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	24	—	24	Incl. 6 in Ramallah & 8 in Hebron
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
School Disruption	1	—	1	Beit 'Einun village's school raided
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	1	2	Incl. shelling near 2 security locations
Palestinian Attack	—	1	1	2 unidentified mortars fired
Pal. Security Measures	2	—	2	Incl. 2 Israeli citizens handed over
Demonstrations	2	—	2	Incl. in solidarity with prisoners
TOTAL	148	19	167	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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WEST BANK

<p style="text-align: center;">JERUSALEM</p>	<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.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<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 Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:30, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the villages of Deir Ibzi' and Kafr Ni'ma and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 21:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of 'Ein 'Arik and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 21:35, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the town of Beit Rima and the village of An Nabi Salih and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/Destruction of Property: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of Ramallah and the town of Beituniya.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 11:40, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the town of Bir Zeit and patrolled the area near Bir Zeit University. (iii) At 18:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Rima and the villages of Qarawat Bani Zeid and Kafr 'Ein. The Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire while it was patrolling the area in the town of Beit Rima, which resulted in an electricity cut-off and damage to an electricity network. (iv) At 18:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Kharbatha Bani Harith and arrested 3 civilians. (v) At 19:10, the Israeli army raided the city of El Bireh, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the village of Kharbatha Bani Harith: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mahmoud Abdul Qader Hammoudeh; (ii) Hasan Mustafa Injas; and (iii) Hussein Mustafa Injas. • Palestinian Security Measure: Palestinian security forces handed over 1 illegal vehicle, seized in the city of Ramallah, to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). • Demonstration: At 17:10, a mass demonstration took place in the village of Beit Liqya in protest against land levelling for construction of a road replacing the main road leading to the village. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilian protestors.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the detour road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas and to impede civilian access. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Kufeirit and searched civilians and vehicles. • Detention: At 13:00, Israeli troops positioned at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas detained 4 civilians and released them at 21:00. • Demonstration: At 13:00, a mass demonstration took place in the city of Jenin in solidarity with political prisoners held in Israeli prisons.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: 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. • Closure of Main Roads: 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. • Checkpoints: <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.

	<p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint south of the city of Tulkarem, impeding civilian access.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Arrest: At 02:10 on 09 March 2006, the Israeli army arrested Mu'ammarr Shawqi 'Amarah during its raid on Tulkarem refugee camp.
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 Checkpoint/Detention: At 12:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya, searched civilian vehicles, detained 4 Palestinian National Security officers, and served one of them a summons to report to the Israeli Intelligence Service. • Raid: At 04:15, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya, searched a number of houses and 1 commercial shop, and arrested 7 individuals, including 4 brothers, one of whom is a Palestinian Police officer. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 7 individuals in the city of Qalqiliya: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Ihab Abdul Lateef Abu Hijleh, a Palestinian Police officer; (ii) Husam Abdul Lateef Abu Hijleh; (iii) Nizar Abdul Lateef Abu Hijleh; (iv) Hazem Abdul Lateef Abu Hijleh; (v) Mahdi 'Adnan J'eidi; (vi) Mahmoud 'Adnan J'eidi; and (vii) Naji Jameel Younes.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <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. • Checkpoints: <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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 21:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the town of Jamma'in and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Badhan road and searched civilian vehicles. • <u>Raids/Destruction of Property/Curfew:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 03:25, the Israeli army raided Balata refugee camp, opened fire, searched a number of houses, and arrested 2 civilians. (ii) The Israeli army raided the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya and damaged 2 civilian vehicles. (iii) The Israeli army raided the village of Madama, imposed curfew, and withdrew at a later time. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in Balata refugee camp: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Ahmed Abdallah Shteivi; and (ii) Ahmed Sa'eed Husni.
SALFIT	<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. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the village of Marda and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the western entrance to the town of Deir Istiya and searched civilians and vehicles until 16:40. • <u>Land Levelling:</u> The Israeli army levelled agricultural land in the area of 'Iraq at Tuta in the vicinity of the town of Deir Ballut.
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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <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 15:50, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the DCO checkpoint set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho, impeding civilian access. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> At 15:55, and again at 21:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja on Al Mu'arrajat road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Arrest:</u> Israeli troops positioned on Al Karama (Allenby) Bridge arrested Isma'il Nafe' Sbeihat, a Palestinian Preventive Security officer.
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>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:45, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Al Khadr. (ii) At 14:40, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Dar Salah, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 02:15, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Fajjar and arrested 4 civilians. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the town of Beit Fajjar: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Ra'fat Mahmoud Hayyan; (ii) Ra'fat Mohammed Taqatqah; (iii) Ghassan Mohammed Thawabteh; and (iv) 'Amer Ameen Taqatqah.
HEBRON	<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.
- **Closure of Main Roads:**
 - (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.
 - **Wall Construction:** 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'.
 - **Flying Checkpoints:**
 - (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Beit 'Einun and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - (ii) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Al 'Uddeisa on the road to the town of Bani Na'im and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - (iii) At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - (iv) At 18:30, the Israeli army set up 3 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the towns of Idhna and Beit Kahil and in the area of Sinjir and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - **Raids/School Disruption/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:**
 - (i) At 09:45, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the village of Beit 'Einun, raided the village's school, and notified the school principal that it would raid the school if students throw stones at Israeli troops. At 10:10, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
 - (ii) At 18:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up 2 checkpoints in the area of Bir al Mahjar and near Hebron University, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the city again and patrolled the area surrounding the offices of the Temporary International Presence in Hebron (TIPH), while Palestinian security forces were guarding the offices.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>House Occupation/Detention:</u> At 14:30, the Israeli army occupied 1 house belonging to 'Aref Mohammed ar Rajabi in the old city of Hebron and converted it into a military post after detaining residents in 1 room. • <u>Palestinian Security Measure:</u> At 17:30, Palestinian security forces handed over to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO) 2 Israeli citizens, including a female Israeli citizen called Aksona Yona, who were in possession of 2 kilogrammes of Marijuana. The 2 Israeli citizens were located in the town of Dura.
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GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS	<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 1,775 workers to cross into areas inside the Green Line.
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NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> 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. • <u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, VIPs, civilians holding special permits, humanitarian cases, and workers. • <u>Attack/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> Between 20:50 and 21:10, the Israeli army fired 18 artillery shells from its location inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory near 2 Palestinian National Security locations north of the town of Beit Lahiya and in the area of An Nada towers, injuring 5 family members. 4 artillery shells did not explode. • <u>Physical Assault:</u> Abdul Rahman Ibrahim Abdul Hadi sustained contusions when an iron gate set up at the workers' lane at Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing hit him in the chest while he was attempting to cross into areas inside the Green Line. At 05:00, Abdul Hadi was transported to a public hospital for medical treatment. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 16:00, the Israeli army arrested Mousa Hussein Mubarak east of the area of Abu Safiya, while he was attempting to gain access into areas inside the Green Line. • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 20:20, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u> Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attack: At 10:30, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 88 on the Green Line towards a herd of sheep 100 metres away from the Green Line east of Gaza city.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attack: At 00:55, the Israeli army opened fire from Points 125 and 126 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of Al Maghazi refugee camp.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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.

GENERAL

WORK PERMITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • West Bank: 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. • Gaza Strip: The Israeli authorities renewed 4,917 work permits for crossing the Green Line. However, only 1,775 workers (approximately 36% of those possessing work permits) were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line.
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