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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 10 March 2005 – 08:00 11 March 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Attacks	4	4	8	Incl. 3 during raids & 4 from posts
Raids	16	2	18	Incl. 5 in Tulkarem & 4 in Salfit
Arrests (per person)	3	—	3	Incl. 1 child
Detentions	11	1	12	Incl. in residential compounds
Land Levelling	—	1	1	In the district of Khan Yunis
Wall Construction	20	—	20	Incl. Jer., Jenin, Ram'lah, Beth., Salfit
Land Confiscation	2	—	2	Incl. 603 <i>dunums</i> in Shufa
Curfew	1	—	1	The old city of Hebron (4 days)
Checkpoints	(All)	—	(All)	
Flying Checkpoints	10	—	10	Incl. 3 in Ramallah & 3 in Bethlehem
Closure (per District)	6	—	6	Incl. Jerusalem and Jericho (partially)
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(9)	—	Incl. 1 partially
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	3	3	Incl. 2 partially open
Attack on Religious Sites	1	—	1	The Ibrahimi Mosque closed
School Disruption	1	—	1	Students denied access in Seida
Settlement Activity	—	1	1	A barbed wire fence erected
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2	—	2	1 checkpoint set up near 1 Pal. post
TOTAL	77	12	89	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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

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. 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.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure: At 18:20, the Israeli army closed the entrance to the village of Al Mughayyir, declared it a closed military zone, and prevented civilians from entering or exiting the area. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Bil'in, Saffa, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya. Flying Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> At 10:20, the Israeli army set up 1 flying checkpoint along the Ramallah-Bir Zeit road and 2 flying checkpoints on the junctions to the village of Surda and to Bir Zeit University, arrested 1 civilian, and withdrew at 10:30. At 18:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Deir Abu Mash'al, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs. Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> At 11:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Bir Zeit. At 12:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Khirbet Deir Falah,

	<p>surrounded the Palestinian Police station in the village, patrolled the area, and withdrew at a later time.</p> <p>(iii) At 22:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the city of El Bireh and patrolled the neighbourhood of Al Balou’.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up along the Ramallah-Bir Zeit road arrested an unidentified civilian.
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. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the town of Bal’a and the village of Al ‘Atara, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians’ IDs until 15:00. (ii) At 19:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the ‘Illar-Zeita junction, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians’ IDs. • Raids/School Disruption: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Seida, opened fire, fired sound grenades, searched 1 house, and prevented students from reaching their schools. At 13:15, the Israeli army raided the village again. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army also prevented civilians from entering or exiting the village and patrolled the area until 16:30. (ii) At 19:30, the Israeli army raided the town of ‘Illar and raided 1 engineering office after firing sound grenades inside the office. At 19:50, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (iii) At 20:30, Israeli Special Forces raided the town of ‘Attil, searched 1 house, and withdrew at a later time. (iv) The Israeli army raided the village of Ar Ras south of the city of Tulkarem and searched a number of houses. • Land Confiscation: The Israeli army issued an order ruling for the confiscation of 603 <i>dunums</i> (150.75 acres) of land belonging to the village of Shufa east of the city of Tulkarem.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoint: At 14:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint

	<p>between the towns of ‘Azzun and Kafr Thulth, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians’ IDs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <p>(i) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided the town of ‘Azzun and prevented civilians from entering or exiting the village. At 22:20, the Israeli army raided the town again and patrolled the area.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Qaddum and searched a number of houses and shops after detaining house residents outside.</p>
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> At 13:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Furik, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians’ IDs. • <u>Land Confiscation:</u> At 13:50, Israeli troops positioned at Beit Furik checkpoint distributed fliers stipulating the confiscation of 25 <i>dunums</i> (6.25 acres) of civilian land in the area of Ash Sheik Mohammed south of the town of Beit Furik in the area between the settlement of Itamar and the settlement outpost of Kad’olim.
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. • <u>Raids:</u> <p>(i) At 22:00, the Israeli army, including 1 tank and 1 jeep, raided the town of Kifl Haris and the village of Qira and patrolled the area.</p> <p>(ii) At 22:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Jamma’in, opened fire, and fired sound grenades while patrolling the area. At 00:20, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</p> <p>(iii) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Marda and notified the head of the Village Council that it will continue to assault the village until the village residents stop throwing stones at Israeli vehicles.</p>
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 10:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the checkpoints set up around the city of Jericho, closed the 2 checkpoints set up at the southern and western entrances to the city, detained 1 civilian for several hours, and arrested another civilian. The 2 checkpoints were reopened at a later time. • <u>Arrest:</u> Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up at the entrance to the city of Jericho arrested Sa’et Sakhr Al Maqeti.
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’mān, northeast of the Bethlehem district, isolating the village and placing it, together with the adjacent village of Al Khas, under

	<p>the jurisdiction of the Jerusalem municipality. The Israeli army considers the civilian presence in the villages illegal.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: 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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 13:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the city of Beit Sahur, searched civilian vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement, allegedly to conduct thorough searches. • Raid/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 15:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr, set up 1 checkpoint near 1 Palestinian National Security location and another checkpoint in the area of Al Balou', searched civilian vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement.
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. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested 'Assem Talal Al Karaki, 17 years old, in the old city of Hebron. • Curfew/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 continued to close the Ibrahimi Mosque, preventing worshippers from conducting prayers in the mosque.

GAZA STRIP

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. • Detention: At 17:30, Israeli troops positioned in the area surrounding the settlement of Nitsareem detained Rasha Hassouneh while she was present near the settlement, and released her at a later time.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Settlement Activity: At 16:30, the Israeli army began erecting a barbed wire fence 50 meters parallel to Salah Ad Din road east of the area of Al Ja'farawi, south of Wadi As Salqa.

<p>KHAN YUNIS</p>	<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 closed. (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. • Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:20, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 8 towards a number of children while they were playing near Al Amal neighbourhood. (ii) At 23:35, an Israeli army tank positioned at Point 176 on the Green Line fired 1 sound grenade towards Palestinian territory east of Khuza'a. • Raid/Land Levelling: At 12:00, the Israeli army, including 1 tank and 1 bulldozer, raided the area near Points 8 and 9 opposite Al Amal neighbourhood and West Khan Yunis refugee camp and levelled land.
<p>RAFAH</p>	<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 11:35, the Israeli army opened fire from its location in the area surrounding Salah Ad Din gate towards northern Palestinian territory on the outskirts of the neighbourhood of Yabna in Rafah refugee camp. (ii) At 04:00, the Israeli army opened fire from its locations at Points 7 and 8 along the Palestinian-Egyptian border towards civilian houses on the outskirts of the neighbourhood of Yabna in Rafah refugee camp. • Raid: At 00:35, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps and infantry forces, raided Palestinian territory near Point 18 in the area of 'Ureibeh north of the city of Rafah.

GENERAL

<p>POLITICAL PRISONERS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Administrative Detention Order: Israeli authorities issued an order of administrative detention (arrest without charge or trial) against Rabi' Ibrahim 'Adel, a Palestinian security officer, and relocated him to 'Ofer Military Detention Camp.
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<p>WORK PERMITS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>West Bank:</u><ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) Israeli authorities renewed 8,521 work permits to cross the Green Line. The total number of those allowed to cross is unknown.(ii) Israeli authorities restricted the issuing of work permits to civilians who are married with children and over the age of 30.• <u>Gaza Strip:</u><ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) Israeli authorities renewed 1,129 work permits for workers to enter the Industrial Zones. However, only 1,100 workers (approximately 98% of those possessing work permits) were allowed access to the Industrial Zones.(ii) Israeli authorities renewed 767 work permits for workers in the construction and agriculture sectors to cross the Green Line. However, only 582 workers (approximately 76% of those possessing work permits) were allowed access into the Green Line.
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