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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 10 March 2010 – 08:00 11 March 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	4	—	4	Incl. school students beaten, Bethlehem
Attacks	7	3	10	Incl. 4 in raids and 3 from mil. posts
Raids	14	—	14	Incl. 1 in Jerusalem and 3 in Jenin
Air Patrol	1	—	1	Troops dispatched by a helicopter
Arrests (per person)	14	—	14	Incl. 9 in Jerusalem and 2 in Nablus
Detentions	14	—	14	At checkpoints and in residential areas
Wall Construction	22	—	22	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Qalqiliya
Destruction of Property	1	—	1	A bus set on fire in Nablus
Closure of Checkpoints	8	—	8	Incl. access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	19	—	19	Incl. 6 in Nablus and 4 in Jericho
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Incl. Nu'man and Mazmuriya villages
Closure of Main Roads	40	—	40	Incl. 4 in Bethlehem and 14 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	—	3	3	4 crossings partially open
Settler Violence	2	—	2	Incl. an evacuated settlement accessed
Demonstrations	2	—	2	Incl. in solidarity with prisoners
TOTAL	155	6	161	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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 impede civilian access to the mosque. (i) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli authorities issued Military Order # S/02/09 on the closure of and denial of civilian access to the "demarcation area" along the Wall in the area surrounding the city of Jerusalem. Accordingly, local residents and civilians holding permits can access this area through crossings and gates set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. (The demarcation area is defined by a set of military orders relating to land confiscation for Wall construction). (ii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill located in an area between the village of Biddu and Beit Iksa due to its geographical significance as it overlooks the city of Jerusalem. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba'. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate along the Wall section, separating the area of Dahiyat al Bared from the town of Ar Ram. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint as 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. • <u>Physical Assault:</u> At 16:40, Israeli troops severely beat Samer Ahmed at Toubas, a resident of the village of Ar Rihya in the district of Hebron, in Wadi al Joz neighbourhood in the city of Jerusalem, leaving him with contusions. Consequently, he was transported to hospital for medical treatment. • <u>Raid:</u> At 17:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Ar Ram. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 22:30, the Israeli army arrested Wa'd Usamah Hamdan, 17 years old, near the settlement of Ma'ale Adumim allegedly because he had been in possession of a knife. (ii) On 10 March 2010, the Israeli army arrested 8 unidentified civilians, including children, in Silwan neighbourhood in the city of Jerusalem. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <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
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	<p>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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, from Beit Surik village to Biddu; in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina; west of the village of Al Jib; in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna; south of the village of Beit Hanina; and in the area surrounding the checkpoint set up at the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades and cement blocks the entrances to the town of Sinjil, the village of Saffa; and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiya. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the town of 'Abud; in the village of Bil'in; and in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Kufeirit. (ii) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Birqin and the village of At Tayba. • Arrest: At 19:45, Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Zububa arrested Mohammed Jalal Kamel Ighbariyyeh, as was reported yesterday. • Settler Violence: At 09:10, a group of Israeli settlers gained access to the evacuated settlements of Homesh and withdrew at a later time. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which affects the educational and health conditions of civilians living behind the Wall.
TUBAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: Though allowing civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley between 06:00 and 22:00, the Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas. • Raids/Attack: At 11:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Tayasir. At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the village again and fired sound grenades as well as flares while patrolling the area.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa as well as the road connecting the villages of Shufa and 'Izbat Shufa. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.

<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILYA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. • Raids/Attack: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 23:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Azzun. (ii) At 01:20, the Israeli army raided the area between the villages of Ras Tira and Ras 'Atiya. While patrolling the area, the Israeli army fired sound grenades and flares. • Arrest: At 22:40, Israeli troops positioned at the Wall gate to the village of 'Azzun 'Atma arrested an unidentified truck driver. • Demonstration: At 08:00, school teachers and students held a sit-in demonstration at the Wall gate leading to the village of Ras 'Atiya in protest against Israeli troops, who have forced them to cross through an electronic door. • Wall Gate: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a detector. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues south of the town of Jayyus as well as near the settlement of Alfei Menashe in the villages of Ras Tira, Magharet ad Dab'a, and Wadi ar Rasha south of the city of Qalqiliya.
<p style="text-align: center;">NABLUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the roads of Till-Burin and Beit Furik-Salem; the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh; the southern entrance to the village of Duma; and the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite Shavei Shomron settlement. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut and the road connecting the town of 'Aqraba to the village of Osarin. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim 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 between 07:00 and 02:00. (ii) At 'Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are allowed to cross between 05:00 and 20:00, but between 05:00 and 15:00 on Fridays. All civilian vehicles are allowed to access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Qusin and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the town of Beit Iba on the Nablus-Tulkarem main road and searched civilians and vehicles until 11:15.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iii) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya and the village of Ijnisinya and searched civilians and vehicles until 13:45. (iv) At 13:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya and searched civilians and vehicles until 15:20. (v) At 16:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Badhan road (the eastern entrance to the city of Nablus) and searched civilians and vehicles. (vi) At 17:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of 'Aqraba, searched civilian vehicles, and arrested 2 civilians. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raid: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya. (ii) At 00:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Qabalan and patrolled the area until 07:05. • Arrests: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the junction to the town of 'Aqraba arrested 2 civilians: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Hamzeh Abdul Karim Abu Thabet; and (ii) Samer Younes Abu Habash. • Settler Violence: a group of Israeli settlers gained access into the village of Burin and set fire to a bus belonging to Khadher 'Izzat Najjar.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and iron gates the northern entrance to the town of Bruqin and the western entrance to the town of Kafr Ad Dik. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the western entrance to the town of Deir Istiya and searched civilians and vehicles until 11:00. (ii) At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Yasuf and searched civilians and vehicles. • 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 Ariel.
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. At 10:00, the Israeli army installed an iron gate on the road.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus. However, the Israeli army allows civilian access between 06:00 and 22:00. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja along Al-Mu'arrajat road that connects the districts of Jericho and Ramallah, only allowing access to civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence of the district of Jericho as well as to others holding access permits. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 09:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Fasayil and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 10:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the Dead Sea and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 12:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Al Jiftlik and searched civilians and vehicles.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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. (ii) According to Military Order # 07/02/S, the Israeli army has continued since 15 September 2007 to deny civilian access to an area measuring 22 <i>dunums</i> (5.436 acres) of land in the area of Mazmuriya in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. The land was confiscated pursuant to Military Order # 07/31/T. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad as well as a road east of the town of Beit Fajjar. (ii) Beginning at 15:30 on 11 February 2010, the Israeli army has continued to close with dirt barricades an agricultural road connecting the town of Tuqu' to the village of Khirbet al Baq'a. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> At 19:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the area of An Nashash (the southern entrance to the city of Bethlehem) and searched civilians and vehicles until 19:45. • <u>Raids:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 22:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Nahhalin. (ii) At 23:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Husan. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. • <u>Detentions/Physical Assaults:</u> At 22:45, Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint detained a bus transporting school students, while they were returning from a school trip to the town of Al 'Ubeidiya. Israeli troops also beat a number of students.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 11:30, families of political prisoners held a sit-in demonstration in front of offices of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) in solidarity with their relative prisoners. Protestors also demanded that all political prisoners be released from Israeli prisons. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Efrat settlement; and in the area surrounding Al Walaja.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <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. In addition to closing the entrance to Al Laban Market with iron plates, the Israeli army continues to install an iron gate at the entrance to the area of Al Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) in the old city of Hebron, controlling civilian access in the area. (ii) Having evacuated civilian residents and denied civilian access, the Israeli army continues to close the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the town of As Samoa'; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of Al Jab'a; the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa; the entrance to the Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron; as well as the entrances to Al 'Arrub refugee camp, the area of Al Hawawir, the village of At Tuwani, and the town of Adh Dhahiriya. (ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Al Karmil and At Tuwani and all roads leading to Road # 60. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles until 08:30. (ii) At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 19:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to town of Beit Ummar and denied civilian access until 21:00. (iv) At 22:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp and denied civilian access until 23:30. • <u>Attack:</u> At 01:30, Israeli troops opened fire towards a civilian vehicle in the area surrounding the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron. However, the targeted vehicle fled.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids/Air Patrol:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:05, Israeli troops dispatched by a combat helicopter raided and patrolled an area near the town of Nuba. (ii) At 20:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Ummr, after a Molotov cocktail was thrown at the military watchtower erected at the entrance to the town. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 18:30, the Israeli army arrested Iyad Abu 'Iram while he was tending sheep near the town of Yatta. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal; in the area surrounding the settlement of Eshkolot near the town of Adh Dhahiriya; and in the area between the villages of 'Arab ar Ramadin and Imneizil.
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GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the unilateral ceasefire declared by the Israeli authorities came into effect. At a later time on the same day, armed Palestinian groups announced an agreement to cease fire for a week. Later, armed Palestinian groups extended the ceasefire until 05 February 2009. Despite the fact that the extension period expired, the ceasefire continues to hold pending negotiations carried out by Egypt. • <u>Violation of the Ceasefire:</u> The Israeli army opened fire from its location on the Green Line towards agricultural land in the districts of Gaza and Rafah. The Israeli navy also opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the beached of the city of Rafah.
NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously-coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. (ii) Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision. • <u>Attack:</u> At 13:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location on the Green Line towards agricultural land east of Ash Shuja'iya neighbourhood east of Gaza city.
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> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing was open on an exceptional basis to allow access to 119 ill civilians who had received medical treatment at Egyptian hospitals. Also, 8 civilians were allowed to leave the Gaza Strip through the Crossing. Civilians holding foreign passports were

	<p>allowed to leave the Gaza Strip through the Crossing.</p> <p>(iii) Sufa Crossing is closed.</p> <p>(iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for transportation of food supplies, humanitarian aid, fuel allocated for the Gaza Electricity Generation Station, and cooking gas.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attacks:</u> <p>(i) At dawn on 10 March 2010, the Israeli navy opened intensive fire towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the beach of the city of Rafah.</p> <p>(ii) In the morning of 10 March 2010, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location on the Green Line towards agricultural land on the outskirts of the town of Ash Shoka east of the city fo Rafah.</p>
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GAZA STRIP

<p>ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Setence:</u> The military court at Salem Detention and Interrogation Centre sentenced Mohammed Jamil Huweiti, a resident of the Balata refugee camp in the city of Nablus, to 5 years and 8 months in prison as well as a fine of NIS 4,000 (approximately USD 1,066).
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