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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 12 March 2005 – 08:00 13 March 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	—	1	1 civilian severely beaten
Injuries	3	—	3	Incl. 2 children in Tulkarem
Attacks	6	8	14	Incl. 4 during raids & 9 from posts
Raids	26	—	26	Incl. 8 in Ramallah & 10 in Tulkarem
Arrests (per person)	9	—	9	Incl. 1 female civilian
Detentions	8	—	8	Incl. at checkpoints
Wall Construction	20	—	20	Incl. Jer., Jenin, Ram'lah, Beth., Salfit
Destruction of Property	3	—	3	Incl. 1 vehicle destroyed
Land Confiscation	1	—	1	160 <i>dunums</i> in Deir Al Hatab
House Occupations	16	—	16	In the northern Tulkarem district
Curfews	10	—	10	Incl. 9 towns and villages
Checkpoints	(All)	—	(All)	
Flying Checkpoints	17	—	17	Incl. 2 in Bethlehem & 2 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	5	—	5	Incl. the area of As Sahleh in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(9)	—	Incl. 2 partially
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	3	3	Incl. 2 partially open
Medical Obstruction	1	—	1	1 ambulance detained
Attacks on Religious Sites	2	—	2	Incl. 1 mosque raided in Beit Kahil
School Disruption	2	—	2	Incl. 1 kindergarten closed
Settler Violence	3	—	3	Incl. 2 children severely beaten
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	'Arura Police station raided
Palestinian Attacks	—	2	2	Incl. 1 unidentified mortar
Pal. Security Measures	—	1	1	Searches for 1 tunnel in Rafah
TOTAL	134	14	148	

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 was resumed 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"> Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Bil'in, Saffa, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya. Flying Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> At 10:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the city of Ramallah and the village of Rafat and searched civilians and vehicles. At 08:00 on 13 March 2005, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Abu Qash and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army set up 1 flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and another flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of An Nabi Salih, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs. Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> At 16:30, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the village of 'Arura, raided the village's Police station, and fired sound grenades inside the station after searching it.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 21:30, the Israeli army raided the villages of Kobar and Abu Shukheidim. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army also severely beat 1 civilian and withdrew at 22:00. (iii) At 22:25, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the city of El Bireh and patrolled the area. (iv) At 22:35, the Israeli army raided Al Jalazun refugee camp. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army also arrested 3 civilians, including 1 civilian who was released from Israeli prisons following the Sharm Ash Sheikh summit conference. (v) At 02:45, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the cities of Ramallah and El Bireh and patrolled the area until 06:00. (vi) The Israeli army raided the village of Beit 'Ur At Tahta and detained 14 civilians, including a number of children. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in Al Jalazun refugee camp: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Khaled Ahmed Abu Zeid; (ii) Mohammed Abdul Qader Nakhleh; and (iii) Hassan Ibrahim Kharroub.
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 was resumed 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/House Occupations/Medical Obstruction: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:30, the Israeli army raided the towns and villages in the northern Tulkarem district, including 'Illar, 'Attil, Qaffin, Zeita, An Nazla Ash Sharqiya, An Nazla Al Wusta, An Nazla Al Gharbiya, Seida, and Ras Rummana. The Israeli army closed the area with 6 checkpoints, prevented civilians from entering or exiting the area, and imposed curfew. The Israeli army also occupied 16 houses, converted them into military posts, opened fire, and fired sound grenades towards civilians, injuring 3 civilians, including 2 children. Additionally, the Israeli army detained 1 ambulance transporting 1 injured civilian and detained 4 civilians for several hours. The Israeli army remains positioned in the towns of 'Illar and 'Attil and the village of Seida as of 08:00 this morning. (ii) At 00:50, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of 'Anabta and fired sound grenades while patrolling the area.

<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILYA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Gates/School Disruption:</u> <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 ‘Azzun ‘Atma, located behind the Wall, obstructed over 100 students and 20 teachers from reaching their schools. Israeli troops ordered that female teachers be subjected to physical searches in return for being allowed to enter the village. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the city of Qalqiliya, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians’ IDs. (ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint under the town of ‘Azzun overpass leading to the district of Tulkarem, searched civilian vehicle, and obstructed civilian movement. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 20:45, the Israeli army raided the town of ‘Azzun and arrested 1 civilian. (ii) At 00:35, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the city of Qalqiliya and patrolled the area. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Bassem Shakir in the town of ‘Azzun. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> Israeli settlers from the settlement of Kedumim prevented civilians from the village of Kafr Qaddum from accessing their land near the settlement and forced them to return home at gunpoint.
<p style="text-align: center;">NABLUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoint/Destruction of Property:</u> At 12:40, the Israeli army closed Huwwara checkpoint and prevented civilians from crossing in both directions, allegedly due to a suspected vehicle that was parked near the checkpoint. The checkpoint was reopened after the Israeli army destroyed the vehicle (using explosives). • <u>Arrest:</u> On 11 March 2005, Israeli troops at Beit Iba checkpoint arrested Ibrahim As Sous. • <u>Land Confiscation:</u> The Israeli army issued a military order (No. 29/02/C) for the confiscation of 160 <i>dunums</i> (40 acres) of land belonging to the village of Deir Al Hatab east of the city of Nablus for expansion of the settlement of Alon Moreh.
<p style="text-align: center;">SALFIT</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land levelling for Wall construction was resumed in the town of Deir Ballut and the village of Az Zawiya near the Green Line. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the villages of Iskaka and Yasuf, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians’ IDs. (ii) At 19:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the city

	<p>of Salfit and the town of Kafr Ad Dik, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Settler Violence: Israeli settlers from the settlement of Bido'il severely beat Samir Naji.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: 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.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: 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. • Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall was resumed north of the district of Bethlehem, along 'Ayda refugee camp, along the tunnel road (Gilo), and west of the village of Husan. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Dar Salah, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles until 10:40. (ii) At 13:25, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr. At 16:00, the Israeli army raided the town again, set up a checkpoint in the centre of the town, and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army also damaged water pipes, thereby cutting off water supply from the areas of Talita and Beit Jala housing project. At 18:15, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (iii) At 20:50, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Beit Jala and patrolled the area. • Arrest: At 02:00 on 11 March 2005, the Israeli army arrested Saleem Ali Mousa in the town of Tuqu' (in addition to those reported yesterday).
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 was resumed 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. • Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Dura, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs. • Raid/Attack on Religious Sites/School Disruption: At 13:15, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Kahil, raided the town's mosque and 1 kindergarten near the mosque, and issued an order to close the

	<p>kindergarten. The Israeli army also arrested 2 civilians.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:20, the Israeli army arrested Majdolin ‘Adel Al Wureidat, a female civilian, in the old city of Hebron, allegedly for attempting to stab an Israeli soldier. <p>The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Beit Kahil:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Mohammed Feisal Ikhmayyes; and (iii) Jaber Moahmmmed Ikhmayyes. • 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. The curfew was lifted at 07:00 on 13 March 2005. • Settler Violence: Israeli settlers from the settlement of Kiryat Arba’ threw stones at 2 houses in the neighbourhood of Wadi An Nasara in the old city of Hebron, breaking the house windows. Israeli settlers also severely beat 2 children: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mohammed Da’na, 10 years old; and (ii) Yazan Da’na, 13 years old. <p>The 2 children were left with injuries and contusions.</p>
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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: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Nitsareem junction remains closed. (ii) Al Shuhada Junction-Al Muntar Crossing road is closed. • Attack: At 15:00, the Israeli army opened fire towards the area surrounding Al Hajj Fadhl factory along the eastern line south of Gaza city, allegedly because a number of civilians had approached the area.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ol 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.

	<p>(vi) Morag road, which connects Khan Yunis' eastern and western roads, is closed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attacks:</u> <p>(i) At 11:40, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 12 towards civilian houses in An Namsawi neighbourhood.</p> <p>(ii) At 14:05, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 9 towards civilian houses in West Khan Yunis refugee camp. At 17:15, the Israeli army opened fire again, allegedly because a number of children had approached the security line.</p> <p>(iii) At 07:55, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 12 towards 1 civilian vehicle in the area of Al Maqaber, near An Namsawi neighbourhood, while civilians were digging a grave.</p> • <u>Palestinian Attacks:</u> <p>(i) At 11:05, unidentified armed Palestinian individuals threw primitive hand-made bombs towards the settlement of Neve Dekalim. However, the bombs fell outside the settlement.</p> <p>(ii) At 22:30, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the settlement of Netzer Hazani.</p>
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <p>(i) Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed.</p> <p>(ii) Al Mawasi/Rafah road is partially open.</p> <p>(iii) Sufa Crossing is partially open to construction cargo only.</p> • <u>Attacks:</u> <p>(i) At 15:10, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 8 along the Palestinian-Egyptian border towards Palestinian territory in the neighbourhood of Yabna in Rafah refugee camp.</p> <p>(ii) At 16:50, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 22 towards Palestinian territory in Tall As Sultan neighbourhood, allegedly because a civilian had approached the area.</p> <p>(iii) At 17:45, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 9 along the Palestinian-Egyptian border towards Palestinian territory in Bloc (J) in Rafah refugee camp, allegedly because a number of children had approached the area.</p> • <u>Palestinian Security Measures:</u> At 15:55, Palestinian security forces searched for a suspected tunnel in the area of 'Ureibeh near Point 18 north of the city of Rafah.

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Administrative Detention Orders:</u> Israeli authorities issued 16 orders of administrative detention (arrest without charge or trial) against 16 political prisoners in 'Ofer Military Detention Centre.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Israeli Army Measures Against Political Prisoners:</u> Political prisoners held in Al Jalameh Prison are subjected to brutal position abuse (Shabeh) for extended periods of time on chairs that are fixed to the floor during interrogation. The Israeli prison administration also provides prisoners with inadequate/bad food. Additionally, political prisoners suffer from increased humidity levels in their cells due to the lack of ventilation and lack of sunshine.
WORK PERMITS	<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 767 work permits for workers to enter the Industrial Zones. However, only 582 workers (approximately 76% of those possessing work permits) were allowed access to the Industrial Zones. (ii) Israeli authorities renewed 1,129 work permits for workers in the construction and agriculture sectors to cross the Green Line. However, only 1,100 workers (approximately 98% of those possessing work permits) were allowed access into the Green Line.