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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 12 March 2006 – 08:00 13 March 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	—	1	Protestors severely beaten in Hebron
Injuries	2	—	2	1 female child & 1 journalist
Attacks	1	2	3	3 from military posts, incl. flares fired
Raids	19	1	20	Incl. 5 in Bethlehem & 6 in Hebron
Air Patrol	1	—	1	A helicopter over Bethlehem district
Arrests	21	—	21	Incl. 2 children in Jerusalem & Nablus
Detentions	12	—	12	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Land Levelling	—	1	1	North of Beit Hanun town in N. Gaza
Wall Construction	28	—	28	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	1	—	1	Incl. support walls & fences demolished
Attack on Property	1	—	1	Civilians denied access to their land
Land Confiscation	2	—	2	Incl. 170 <i>dunums</i> in Beit Jala & Khadr
Closure of Checkpoints	5	—	5	Incl. Beit Iba & Container checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	10	—	10	Incl. 2 in Jenin & 2 in Tulkarem
Closure (per District)	7	1	8	Incl. a buffer zone in Northern Gaza
Closure of Main Roads	23	—	23	Incl. Ash Shuhada' Street in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	5	Incl. Beit Hanun & Rafah partially
School Disruption	1	—	1	Teachers' College raided, Ramallah
Settler Violence	4	—	4	Incl. 1 female child run over
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2	—	2	Incl. taking position near 1 Pal. post
Demonstration	1	—	1	Demanding to open a street, Hebron
TOTAL	142	10	152	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beginning on the evening of 11 March 2006, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure over the West Bank and Gaza Strip districts and to prevent civilians, including workers, from crossing into areas inside the Green Line or into the city of Jerusalem due to Jewish holidays. The Israeli army only allows VIPs and humanitarian cases to cross after prior coordination. The closure will last until 15 March 2006.
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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: <ol 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. Arrest: At 15:50, Israeli troops positioned at Qalandiya checkpoint arrested 16-year-old Nael Abu Rheimeh, claiming that he was in possession of a rifle and a pistol. Settler Violence: A group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Tall Buyout threw stones at civilian vehicles travelling along the Jerusalem-Hebron Street in the centre of the city of Jerusalem.
<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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Construction:</u> 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. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 11:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the Ramallah-Bir Zeit main road and searched civilians and vehicles until 11:50. • <u>Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces/School Disruption:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:20, and again at 20:20, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh. (ii) At 01:10, the Israeli army, including 15 jeeps, raided the city of Ramallah, after demanding (through the DCO) that Palestinian security forces not leave their positions. The Israeli army also raided the Teachers' College, arrested 5 students, and served summons to 2 other students to report to the Israeli Intelligence Service. At 03:35, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On 09 March 2006, the Israeli army arrested Abdallah Fadhel al Khatib in the village of Bil'in. <p>The Israeli army arrested 5 college students in the city of Ramallah:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Mu'ayyad as Sweiti; (iii) Hazem al Massri; (iv) Hasan Bal'awi; (v) Mohammed Bal'awi; and (vi) Ala' Farhan.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Road:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the detour road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas and to impede civilian access. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one on the junction to the settlement of Mehola near the village of 'Ein al Beida and the other on Al Hilwa junction on the road connecting the area of the Jordan Valley to the town of Tubas, and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 02:00, the Israeli army, including 20 jeeps, raided the town of Qabatiya, searched a number of houses, arrested 3 civilians, and withdrew at 06:30. (ii) At 04:30, the Israeli army, including 20 jeeps, raided the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp, searched a number of houses in Jenin refugee camp, arrested 4 civilians, and withdrew at 06:10. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the town of Qabatiya: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Ziyad 'Abed Nazzal; (ii) Mohammed Kamel Nazzal; and (iii) 'Allam Ahmed Zakarneh.

	<p>The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in Jenin refugee camp:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iv) 'Imad Khaled ad Damaj; (v) Mahmoud Khaled ad Damaj; (vi) Najeeb Khaled ad Damaj; and (vii) Ameen Abu Sirriyyeh.
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. (ii) At 08:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint south of the city of Tulkarem and prevented civilians from other districts from entering the city of Tulkarem. The Israeli army also prevented Tulkarem civilian residents from leaving the city. • 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 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Deir al Ghusun and searched civilians and vehicles until 13:30. (ii) At 08:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Ar Ras south of the city of Tulkarem, searched civilian vehicles, and prevented civilians from other districts from entering the city of Tulkarem. Israeli troops at the checkpoint also prevented civilians from the district of Tulkarem from exiting the area. • Raid: At 02:25, Israeli Special Forces raided the city of Tulkarem, searched 1 house, and withdrew at 03:30.
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. • Attack on Property: The Israeli army prevented civilians from the village of Kafr Qaddum from accessing and cultivating their agricultural land adjacent to the settlement of Kedumim.

<p style="text-align: center;">NABLUS</p>	<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 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. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <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. (i) At 18:40, the Israeli army closed Beit Iba checkpoint and denied civilian access, claiming to be detonating a suspicious object. The Israeli army reopened the checkpoint at a later time. • <u>Raid:</u> At 18:35, the Israeli army, including 25 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Beit Iba. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army announced that it had arrested Mohammed ash Shobaki, after inquiries through the DCO. The Israeli army also stated that Ash Shobaki is held in Huwwara Detention and Interrogation Centre. (ii) At 12:35, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested Saber Mohammed al Jarami, 17 years old. <p>At 18:55, Israeli troops positioned at Beit Iba checkpoint arrested 2 civilians:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iii) Mohammed Ni'man Mashayekh; and (iv) Ahmed Saber Marshoud. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Settler Violence:</u> A group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Yitzhar severely beat and injured 'Abed al Qoussini, a Reuters photographer.
<p style="text-align: center;">SALFIT</p>	<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"> (ii) 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.

	<p>(iii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to impede civilian access.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: 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. • Flying Checkpoints: <p>(i) At 11:00 on 11 March 2006, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the village of Haris, searched civilian vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian.</p> <p>(ii) At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Marda and searched civilian vehicles until 16:30.</p> • Attack: At 21:30, the Israeli army fired flares over the city of Salfit. • Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of Haris arrested Ibrahim Mohammed Sanad.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: 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. • Checkpoints: <p>(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.</p> <p>(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.</p> <p>(iii) At 08:50, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the DCO checkpoint set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho, impeding civilian access.</p> • Flying Checkpoint: At 10:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the settlement of Vered Yericho and searched civilians and vehicles.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: 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. • Closure of Main Roads: 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. • Checkpoint/Detention: The Israeli army closed As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the "Container") checkpoint and denied civilian access, detaining dozens of civilian vehicles on both sides of the checkpoint.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <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 10:10, and again at 13:45, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Bethlehem. (ii) At 07:45, the Israeli army, including 6 jeeps, raided and patrolled the cities of Bethlehem and Beit Jala. (iii) At 07:55, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided ‘Ayda refugee camp and arrested 2 civilians. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in ‘Ayda refugee camp: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Khader Lutfi Da’amseh; and (ii) Firas Lutfi Da’amseh. • <u>Air Patrol:</u> At 22:30, an Israeli army helicopter patrolled the skies over the district of Bethlehem. • <u>Land Confiscation:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army issued Military Order # T/24/06 to confiscate 170 <i>dunums</i> (42.5 acres) of land belonging to the city of Beit Jala and the town of Al Khadr for Wall construction and the building of a street adjacent to the Wall that will extend from the settlement of Har Gilo to Road # 60. (ii) The Israeli army issued Military Order # T/25/06 to confiscate 39.8 <i>dunums</i> (9.95 acres) of land belonging to the city of Beit Jala and the village of Al Walaja for constructing Har Gilo Crossing.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<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. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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

	<p>Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron, and the entrance to the village of 'Arab ar Ramadin.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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'. • Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a checkpoint in the area of Khallet Hadhur, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 14:40, the Israeli army raided the city again, took position near 1 Palestinian National Security location, and patrolled the area. (ii) At 13:40, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Adh Dhahiriya and the villages of Al Burj and Ar Ramadin. (iii) At 17:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Yatta and searched a number of houses. • Settler Violence/Destruction of Property: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:40, an Israeli settler vehicle ran over and injured Sana' Hamad al 'Alami, an 8-year-old female child, near the town of Beit Ummar on the Hebron-Bethlehem main road. (ii) A group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Beit 'Ein northwest of the town of Beit Ummar demolished support walls and fences and destroyed grapevine orchards on civilian land south of the settlement. • Demonstration/Physical Assault: A mass demonstration took place in the old city of Hebron demanding that Ash Shuhada' Street be opened. Israeli troops severely beat civilian protestors with clubs and rifle butts.
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GAZA STRIP

<p>ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On the evening of 11 March 2006, the Israeli army re-intensified the closure it has imposed on the Gaza Strip since 16 December 2005 ostensibly due to Jewish holidays and Palestinian individuals' firing of mortars towards the Green Line.
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<p>NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: 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. • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases after prior coordination.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attack: At 22:15, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 64 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the town of Jabalya. • Raid/Land Levelling: At 15:15, the Israeli army, including 2 bulldozers, raided Palestinian territory between Points 23 and 25 on the Green Line and levelled land.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is partially open. • Attack: At 11:40, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 88 on the Green Line towards a number of shepherds 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"> • 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

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Administrative Detention: The Israeli authorities renewed the administrative detention (arrest without charge or trial) against 12 political prisoners held in Ketziot ("An Naqab") Military Detention Centre for varying time periods.
WORK PERMITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • West Bank: The Israeli authorities renewed 7,218 work permits for crossing the Green Line. However, none of those possessing work permits were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line due to the imposed closure. • Gaza Strip: The Israeli authorities renewed 5,223 work permits for crossing the Green Line. However, none of those possessing work permits were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line due to the imposed closure.