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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 13 March 2010 - 08:00, 14 March 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

| EVENT | WEST BANK | GAZA STRIP | TOTAL | NOTES |
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| Injuries | 8 | _ | 8 | Incl. 3 civilian women & a journalist |
| Physical Assaults | 5 | _ | 5 | Incl. 4 civilians with contusions in Hebron |
| Arrests (per person) | 6 | _ | 6 | Incl. civilian & his wife; elderly & his son |
| Detentions | 13 | _ | 13 | At checkpoints & in residential locales |
| Raids | 30 | _ | 30 | Incl. 5 on Ramallah & 5 on Bethlehem |
| Checkpoints | 9 | _ | 9 | Access impeded at 6 checkpoints |
| Flying Checkpoints | 17 | _ | 17 | Incl. 6 in Jerusalem & 4 in Qalqiliya |
| Attacks | 6 | 7 | 13 | Incl. the firing of tank shells |
| Provocation of Pal. Forces | 3 | _ | 3 | Serving summons to police officers |
| School Obstruction | 2 | _ | 2 | Shutting down 2 schools in Al Aqsa |
| Confiscation of Property | 2 | _ | 2 | 2 laptop computers from El Bireh city |
| Wall Construction | | _ | | Suspended for the weekend |
| Closure (per District) | 7 | _ | 7 | Jer., Beth. (2 villages) & Hebron (4 areas) |
| Closure of Main Roads | 40 | _ | 40 | Incl. 14 in Hebron & 9 in Nablus |
| Closure of Crossing Points | | 7 | 7 | All crossings are completely shut down |
| Settler Violence | 2 | _ | 2 | Enter civilian land in Burin & Ar-Rihiya |
| Demonstrations | 3 | _ | 3 | Incl. against attacks on holy places |
| Palestinian Attack | _ | 1 | 1 | 1 mortar was fired towards the Green Line |
| TOTAL | 153 | 15 | 168 | |

ALL DISTRICTS

Beginning at 24:00 on 11 March 2010, the Israeli army has continued to impose complete closure on all West Bank districts and prevent civilians and workers from entering the city of Jerusalem and areas inside the Green Line, except for previously coordinated humanitarian cases, to prevent civilian protests. The closure was extended until 24:00 on 16 March 2010, although it was scheduled to end at 24:00 on 13 March 2010.

WEST BANK

• Closure:

- (i) Beginning on 11 March 2010, the Israeli army has continued to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the main entrances to Jerusalem city and Al Aqsa Mosque compound. The Israeli army also set up checkpoints on all roads leading to the old city of Jerusalem and denied civilian access, only allowing access to residents of the old city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army only allowed access to civilians above 50 years of age and those possessing Israeli "blue" ID cards to perform prayers inside the mosque through As-Silsila, An-Nadher and Hitta gates after closing all the other gates leading to the mosque. As a result, civilians were forced to perform prayers on the streets. In addition, the Israeli army closed Al Aqsa Girls' Secondary School and Ash Shar'iya Secondary School that are located inside the mosque.
- (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued military order # S/02/09 closing the seam line area, an extension of the Wall.

(iii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill located in an area between the villages of Biddu and Beit Iksa.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (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 Bareed in Jerusalem city from the town of Ar Ram.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and only allows holders of Jerusalem IDs to access the city of Jerusalem.
- **Flying Checkpoint:** At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Bir Nabala and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

(i) At 21:30, the Israeli army raided Ar-Ram town, detained civilian Mustafa Mahmoud Qawwas and released him at a later time.

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At 22:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Bir Nabala and (ii) patrolled the area.

Demonstrations:

- (i) At 11:30, a women demonstration set about near Qalandiya checkpoint north of Jerusalem city against settlement projects and attacks on Muslim holy places. Confrontations took place with the Israeli army who blocked the demonstration. As a result, 2 civilian women and a journalist were injured and 5 other civilian women suffered suffocation from tear gas inhalation. The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians.
- (ii) At 12:00, a mass demonstration set about in the area of Bab Al 'Amoud in the old city of Jerusalem against preventing civilians from performing prayers in Al Aqsa Mosque. Confrontations took place with the Israeli army.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested near Qalandiya checkpoint north of Jerusalem city the civilians Khairi Hannoun and Salah Msameh.

Wall Gates:

- The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu (i) Dis with cement blocks.
- The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall (ii) gate on al-Shayyah road in the area between the villages of al-Sawahira al-Sharqiya and al-Sawahira al-Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area of al-'Eizariva to al-Shavyah, from Beit Surik village to Biddu, in the areas of al-Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of al-Jib village, in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna, south of Beit Hanina village, and in the area surrounding the checkpoint set up at the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp.

Raids: (i)

Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the village of Sinjil, the village of Safa and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiya.

- At 11:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Sinjil.
- At 16:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Atara. (ii)
- At 22:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of (iii) Ein Siniya.
- At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Kharbatha Bani (iv) Harith, searched 2 houses and served summons to 2 civilians, including the Palestinian National Security officer Muhammad Bilal, to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
- At 02:40, the Israeli army raided the city of El Bireh, searched (v) a building, arrested a civilian and his wife, confiscated 2 laptop computers and withdrew at 04:30.

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| | <u>Arrests</u>: The Israeli army arrested in the city of El Bireh the civilian Maher Abdallah Ahmad Jum'ah and his wife Amani Muhammad Jum'ah. <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend west of the towns and villages of 'Abud and Bil'in, and in the areas of al-Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis. |
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| JENIN | Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to 'Arraba town, east of the settlement of Dotan. Raids: At 14:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of At-Tayba. At 18:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Al Araqa. 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. |
| TOUBAS | Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint, east of the city of Tubas, allowing civilian access from 06:00 to 22:00. Raid: At 14:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Tubas and the village of Tayasir. |
| TULKAREM | Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the town of Kafr Al Labad and the village of Shofeh and the road between the villages of Shofeh and Izbat Shofeh. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarm-Nablus main road. Flying Checkpoint: At 16:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Lid and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 23:25, the Israeli army raided the town of Zeita and patrolled the area. Detentions: At 08:00, the Israeli army at the Wall gate near the town of Deir Al Ghusun detained a number of civilians and forced them to take off their clothes under the pretext of searching. 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. |
| QALQILYA | Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. Flying Checkpoints: At 14:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Immatin and searched civilians and vehicles. At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Jinsafut and beat the civilian Riad Barri. At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Izbat At-Tabib. |

(iv) At 18:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Hajja and Al Funduq and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

- (i) At 21:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of An Nabi Elias.
- (ii) At 23:25, the Israeli army raided the town of Azzun and fired stun grenades while searching a house.
- <u>Wall Gates</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend south of the town of Jayyus as well as near the settlement of Alfeh Minesheh in the villages of Ras Tira, Magharet Ad Dab'a and Wadi Ar Rasha, located south of Qalqiliya city.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the roads of Tel-Burin, Beit Furik-Salem, and the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya; and with dirt barricades the southern entrance to the village of Duma, the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya, the western entrances to the town of Aqraba and the village of Majdal Bani Fadil, the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan, as well as the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al-Hatab to Alon Moreh settlement.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close by an iron gate the western entrance to An Nagura village, opposite Shavi 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 Agraba to the village of Osarin.

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• Checkpoints:

- (i) At Tur neighborhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim Mount) is closed on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On other days, it is open for civilian residents of the neighborhood only from 07:00 until 02:00.
- (ii) Awarta commercial checkpoint is open for civilians from 05:00 until 20:00 and on Friday from 05:00 until 15:00.
- (iii) At 08:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Huwwara checkpoint and impeded civilian access.

• Raids:

- (i) At 11:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Iraq Burin.
- (ii) At 14:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Burin.
- (iii) At 18:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Osarin.
 - <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 14:35, a group of Israeli settlers entered land belonging to civilians from the village of Iraq Burin. Consequently, the

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| | Israeli army raided the area. Confrontations took place with civilians while attempting to confront the settler attack. As a result, 5 civilians were injured, including a woman. The Israeli army withdrew at 17:00. |
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| SALFIT | Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit, and 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 at Za'tara checkpoint and impede civilian access. Raid: At 22:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Yasuf where confrontations took place with civilians. The Israeli army served summons to a police officer and a Palestinian National Security officer to report to the Israeli Intelligence service. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl Hares north of the settlement of Ariel. |
| JERICHO | Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of al-'Auja with cement blocks. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at al-Hamra checkpoint and allow civilian access from 06:00 until 22:00. The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions on the checkpoint set up on the junction to al-'Auja village and allow access only to civilians holding Jericho and Jordan Valley IDs and those possessing permits. Flying Checkpoint: At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho. Raids: At 16:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Jiftlik and searched a tent belonging to a farmer. At 16:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Aqbat Jabir refugee camp in the city of Jericho. |
| ВЕТНІЕНЕМ | 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 continues to prevent civilian access to an area that is located in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the roads of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad, the sideway east of Beit Fajjar town and the agricultural road that is located between the town of Taqu'a and the village of Khirbet Al Baq'a. Flying Checkpoint: At 15:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on An Nashash area junction (the southern entrance to the city of Bethlehem) and searched civilians and vehicles. |

• Raids:

- (i) At 10:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Husan.
- (ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Al Khadr.
- (iii) At 13:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Walaja, set up a flying checkpoint at its entrance and patrolled the area.
- (iv) At 23:25, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem, searched 2 houses and served summons to 2 civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
- (v) At 23:40, the Israeli army raided Ad Duheisha refugee camp in the city of Bethlehem, searched a house and arrested an elderly civilian and his son to pressure his other son Hamzeh Muhammad Hammad to surrender himself to the Israeli army.
- <u>Arrests</u>: The Israeli army arrested in Ad Duheisha refugee camp in the city of Bethlehem 60-years-old Muhammad Mahmoud Hammad and his son Taher.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area northwest of the town of al-Khadr and Beit Jala city; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Ephrata settlement; and in the area surrounding al-Walaja village.

• Closure:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: al-Shuhada' Street and the area of al-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 al-Sahleh. The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to al Laban Market by iron boards. The Israeli army also 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, thereby controlling civilian access in the area.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the area located near the Green Line, south of Yatta town, evacuating the area of those inside it and denying them access to it.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the following locales: the entrance to the town of al-Samoa'; the area of al-Hawawir leading to the town of Halhoul; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of al-Jab'a; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa; the entrance to al-Qeisi neighborhood in the old city of Hebron; the main entrance to al-'Arrub refugee camp; the village of At Tuwani as well as the entrance to the town of Adh Dhahiriya.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from traveling along Shalala Old Street that leads to the old city of Hebron,

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- only allowing Israeli vehicles as well as Israeli army vehicles to travel along this street.
- (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 bypass Road # 60.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 15:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the area of Al Fahs south of Hebron city and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 18:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass leading to Halhul town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 18:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Idhna town and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

- (i) At 17:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron. Again at 20:50, the Israeli army raided the area and searched a house.
- (ii) At 23:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Yatta.
- (iii) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided Idhna town and searched a house.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 14:10, a group of armed Israeli settlers from the settlement of Hagai entered the village of Ar-Rihiya and withdrew at a later time.
- Demonstration: At 10:00, a mass demonstration with the participation of international peace activists took place on agricultural land belonging to civilians from the village of Khirbet Safa that is located near the settlement of Bat 'Ayin. The demonstration was against settler attacks and to allow civilians to cultivate their land. Consequently, the Israeli army intervened to prevent demonstrators from entering it. The Israeli army fired rubber coated steel bullets and tear gas bombs towards participants in the demonstration and beat a number of them. As a result, 4 civilians, including a journalist, sustained contusions and a number of other demonstrators suffered suffocation from tear gas inhalation.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, in the periphery of Eshkolot settlement southwest of Adh Dhahiriya town and between southwest of Arab Ar Ramadin village and the village of Imneizil.

GAZA STRIP

At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the Israeli army declared a unilateral ceasefire. In the meantime, armed Palestinian groups declared a one-week-long ceasefire. Meanwhile, the ceasefire was extended until 05 February 2009. The ceasefire is holding despite the end of the specified period. The Israeli army violated the ceasefire by opening fire intensively and firing a number of tank shells from its locations on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory in the districts of Gaza and Rafah. Armed Palestinian groups breached the ceasefire by firing a mortar towards the Green Line.

| NORTHERN GAZA | Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is closed. | | | |
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| GAZA | Closure of Crossing Points: Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing for fuel transport is closed since 04 January 2010 by an Israeli unilateral decision. Attack: At 15:45, the Israeli army opened fire intensively and fired a number of tank shells from its locations on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the neighborhoods of At-Tuffah, Al Shuja'iya and Az-Zeitun that are located east of Gaza city. | | | |
| CENTRAL GAZA | Activities not reported. | | | |
| KHAN YOUNIS | • Palestinian Attack: In the evening of 13 March 2010, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. | | | |
| RAFAH | Closure of Crossing Points: (All Closed) (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (Al Awdah) Crossing is closed. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed. | | | |