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DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00, 15 March 2010 – 08:00, 16 March 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	12	_	12	11 in Ramallah & 1 in Jerusalem
Arrests (per person)	19	_	19	Incl. 7 in Hebron & 4 in Ramallah
Detentions	14	_	14	At checkpoints & in residential locales
Raids	27	_	27	Incl. 8 in Ramallah & 7 in Tulkarm
Checkpoints	11		11	Access impeded at 6 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	17		17	Incl. 2 in Qalqiliya & 1 in Tulkarm
Attacks	13	1	14	Incl. 10 in confrontations & 1 by navy
Land Confiscation	3	_	3	Incl. 224 dunums in Qalqiliya district
Confiscation of Property	1	_	1	ID from a civilian in Jericho city
Destruction of Property	1	_	1	Settlers cutting off 42 trees in Nablus
Wall Construction	22	_	22	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Heb., Beth.
Closure (per District)	7	_	7	Jer., Beth. (2 villages) & Hebron (4 areas)
Closure of Main Roads	40	_	40	Incl. 9 in Nablus & 1 in Qalqiliya
Closure of Crossing Points	_	5	5	Partial opening of 2 crossings only
Settlement Activity	1		1	Opening Hurva synagogue near Al Aqsa
Settler Violence	2	_	2	Incl. stoning civilians in Hebron old city
Demonstrations	12	_	12	Incl. against a synagogue near Al Aqsa
TOTAL	202	6	208	

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.

DISTRICT	EVENTS

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.
- (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.

JERUSALEM

• 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.

• Checkpoints:

- (i) 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. At 18:20, the Israeli army closed the checkpoint, prevented civilian access in both directions and re-opened it at a later time.
- (ii) At 22:55, the Israeli army closed the checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of Beit Iksa and prevented civilian access under the pretext of throwing a Molotov cocktail bottle towards an army patrol. The Israeli army re-opened the checkpoint at a later time.

- <u>Raid</u>: At 00:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Abu Dis, opened fire indiscriminately under the pretext of throwing stones and set up a flying checkpoint on the road leading to the town of Al Eizariya.
- Arrests: On 15 March 2010, the Israeli army arrested 3 civilians, including 2 brothers, in the city of Jerusalem. They are Salih Hasan Dhyab; Jawad Shaher Ad Dmeiri and his brother Wisam.
- <u>Settlement Activity</u>: At 17:00, the Israeli authorities inaugurated the Hurva synagogue in Ash Sharaf neighborhood few meters away from Al Aqsa Mosque in the old city of Jerusalem.

• Demonstrations:

- (i) At 11:00, a 2-hour partial commercial strike took place in the old city of Jerusalem in protest at settlement projects, attacks on Muslim holy places and the inauguration of Hurva synagogue near Al Aqsa Mosque in the old city of Jerusalem.
- (ii) At 17:00, mass demonstrations took place in the village of Al Isawiya, Shu'fat refugee camp, Salah Ad Din and Al Wad streets, At-Tur and As-Sawana neighborhoods in Jerusalem city, the area of Ras Al Amud and the neighborhood of Bab Hitta in the old city of Jerusalem in protest at settlement projects, attacks on Muslim holy places and the inauguration of Hurva synagogue near Al Aqsa Mosque in the old city of Jerusalem where confrontations took place with the Israeli army.
- (iii) At 18:20, a mass demonstration took place near Qalandiya checkpoint north of Jerusalem city in protest at settlement projects, attacks on Muslim holy places and the inauguration of the Hurva synagogue near Al Aqsa Mosque in the old city of Jerusalem. Confrontations took place with the Israeli army injuring 1 civilian and causing suffocation to a number of civilians from tear gas inhalation.

• Wall Gates:

- (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 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 continues in the area of al-'Eizariya to al-Shayyah, 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.

RAMALLAH & EL BIREH

• Closure of Main Roads:

(i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Sinjil and Safa villages and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiya.

(ii) On 15 March 2010, the Israeli army issued military order declaring the area located between civilian houses and the Wall in the town of Ni'lin and the village of Bil'in as closed military zones from 08:00 until 20:00 every Friday and for a period of 6 months. Civilian access is denied during the mentioned period without a special permit in order to prevent the weekly demonstrations against the Wall.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass leading to Atara town and impeded civilian access.
- (ii) At 22:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of An Nabi Salih.

• Raids:

- (i) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Rima, searched a number of houses and arrested 4 civilians.
- (ii) At 01:05, the Israeli army raided the towns of Arura, Deir Ghassana, Bir Zeit and the village of Khirbet Abu Falah and patrolled the area.
- (iii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the cities of Ramallah and El Bireh.
- (iv) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Kafr Ein.
- <u>Arrests</u>: The Israeli army arrested in the town of Beit Rima the civilians: Orabi Hasan Ahmad; Saddam Taha Al Asmar; Ghassan Abbas Irhaimi; and Abdulilah Abdulilah Irhaimi.
- <u>Land Confiscation</u>: On 11 February 2010, the Israeli army issued an order extending and amending military order # 04/87 confiscating an area of 10 *dunums* of land belonging to civilians from the town of Beit Liqya for military purposes to build the Wall.
- <u>Demonstration</u>: At 09:00, a student demonstration took place in the town of Bir Zeit in protest at settlement projects, attacks on Muslim holy places and the inauguration of Hurva synagogue near Al Aqsa Mosque in the old city of Jerusalem. Confrontations took place with the Israeli army when the demonstration came close to Atara Bridge north of the town. As a result, 11 students were injured, including a student who was run over by an Israeli army jeep. A number of other students also suffered suffocation from tear gas inhalation.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues 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.

JENIN

- <u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba that is located east of the settlement of Dotan.
- <u>Wall Gates</u>: 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	• <u>Checkpoint</u> : 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.
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 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Lid and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 10:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarm, the neighborhood of Shuweika, Nur Shams refugee camp in the city, the towns of Deir Al Ghusun and Anabta and patrolled the area. At 01:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Tulkarm and Tulkarm refugee camp in the city until 03:10. 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 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya. At 08:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Azzun and searched civilians and vehicles. Arrests: At 01:15 on 15 March 2010, the Israeli army arrested 2 women during a raid on Qalqiliya city as mentioned in the previous report. They are Iman Abdulraheem Hasan Nazzal and her sister Ayisha. Land Confiscation: On 11 February 2010, the Israeli army issued an order extending and amending military order # 05/65 confiscating an area of 224 dunums of land belonging to civilians from the towns of Azzun and Kafr Thulth for military purposes to build the Wall. Demonstration: At 13:15, a sit in demonstration by a number of teachers, with the participation of a delegation from the Human Rights Organization, took place at the entrance to the Wall gate leading to the village of Ras Atiya in protest at coercing teachers to cross through an electronic gate. Wall Gates: 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: Wall construction continues 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.

• <u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: (i) The Israeli army c

- 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 Naqura 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.

• 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.

• Raids:

- (i) At 03:20 on 15 March 2010, the Israeli army raided the village of Salim and arrested a civilian.
- (ii) At 03:25, the Israeli army raided Askar refugee camp in the city of Nablus and patrolled the area.

Arrests:

- (i) At 01:15 on 15 March 2010, the Israeli army arrested during a raid on the city of Nablus, in addition to what has been mentioned in the previous report, the civilian Waleed Hasan Mahmoud As-Sayyed.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested in the village of Salem the civilian Ibrahim Jamil Ahmad Shtayyeh.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: On 14 March 2010, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Yitzhar cut off some 42 olive, almond and fig trees in land belonging to civilians from the village of Einabus.

SALFIT

NABLUS

- <u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: 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.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint and impede civilian access.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues 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.

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	• <u>Closure</u> : The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of
	Jericho and the village of al-'Auja with cement blocks.
	• <u>Checkpoints</u> :
	(i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at al-Hamra
	checkpoint and allow civilian access from 06:00 until 22:00.
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions on the checkpoint
	set up on the junction to the village of al-'Auja and allow access only to
	civilians holding Jericho and Jordan Valley IDs and those possessing
	permits.
	• Flying Checkpoints:
	(i) At 22:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to
IEDICIIO	the village of Ein Ad Duyuk (the northern entrance to the city of
JERICHO	Jericho) and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 01:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to
	the village of Fasayil and searched civilians and vehicles.
	Raids:
	(i) At 01:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Fasayil, searched
	a house and served summon to a civilian to report to the Israeli
	Intelligence agency.
	(ii) At 02:25, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Auja, searched
	a house and served summon to a civilian to report to the Israeli
	Intelligence agency.
	(iii) At 03:45, the Israeli army raided Aqbat Jabir refugee camp in
	the city of Jericho, confiscated the ID of the civilian Mahmoud
	An Najjar and withdrew at 04:10.
	• Closure:
	(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) 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
BETHLEHEM	of Taqu'a and the village of Khirbet Al Baq'a.
	• <u>Checkpoint</u> : At 17:10, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at
	the 'Container' checkpoint and impeded civilian access.
	• Flying Checkpoints:
	(i) At 22:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area of
	Osh Grab east of Beit Sahur city.
	(ii) At 23:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to
	the village of Husan and searched civilians and vehicles.
	• Raids: (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Dar Salah and set up
	a flying checkpoint.
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- (ii) At 10:30, the Israeli army raided Wadi Al Arayis in the town of Al Ubeidiya and fired stun grenades while patrolling the area.
- <u>Arrest</u>: At 22:40, the Israeli army arrested at the 'Container' checkpoint the civilian Omar Mousa Zawahrah.
- Land Confiscation: On 11 February 2010, the Israeli army issued an order extending and amending military order # 06/01 confiscating an area of 9 dunums of land belonging to civilians from the city of Beit Jala for military purposes to protect the street that connects the tunnels leading to Jerusalem city.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of al-Khadr and the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Ephrata; and in the area surrounding the village of al-Walaja.

• <u>Closure</u>:

- (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, 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 Checkpoint: At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles.

HEBRON

• Raids:

- (i) At 02:00 on 15 March 2010, the Israeli army raided the town of Surif, opened fire and fired stun grenades while searching a number of houses and arrested 6 civilians.
- (ii) At 15:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Nuba.
- (iii) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Kureise and arrested a civilian.
- (iv) At 01:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beit Ummar.

• Arrests:

- (i) The Israeli army arrested in the town of Surif the civilians: Ahmad Muhammad Shaker; Adham Hamdi Abu Farah; Muhammad Mousa Hmeidat; Ahmad Jamal Hussein Abu Farah; Ala' Muhammad Ibrahim Barad'iyeh; and Mahmoud Mousa Mustafa Hmeidat.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 17:10, a group of Israeli settlers in the old city of Hebron threw stones at a number of civilians.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues 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

ALL DISTRICTS

- 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 cease-fire when Israeli navy boats opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea opposite Rafah city beach.

NORTHERN GAZA	• <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u> : Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals.			
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. 			
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.			
KHAN YOUNIS	Activities not reported.			
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al Awdah) Crossing is closed. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for the transport of food, humanitarian assistance, a quantity of industrial diesel for the electricity plant, cooking gas, and for the export of 1 truckload of strawberry. 			

GENERAL

- **Prison Sentences:** The Israeli military court at Salem Military Camp passed prison sentences against the following political prisoners:
- 1) Tareg Al Ka'bi from Balata refugee camp in the city of Nablus to 40 months in prison and a fine of 2000 shekel (equivalent to \$540);
- 2) Saed Hamdan from the city of Nablus to 26 months in prison and a fine of 2000 shekel (equivalent to \$540);
- 3) Muhammad Nayef from the city of Nablus to 25 months in prison and a fine of 2000 shekel (equivalent to \$540);
- 4) Muhammad Nazzal from the city of Qalqiliya to 20 months in prison and a fine of 1000 shekel (equivalent to \$270);
- 5) Jamal Adli Hasan from the village of Ousra in the district of Nablus to 11 months in prison and a fine of 3000 shekel (equivalent to \$810);
- 6) Abi Hamzah from the town of Azzun in the district of Qalqiliya to 11 months in prison and a fine of 2000 shekel (equivalent to \$540);
- 7) Uday Hamed Radwan from the town of Azzun in the district of Qalqiliya to 11 months in prison and a fine of 1000 shekel (equivalent to \$270);
- 8) Muhannad Abu Khadija the city of Qalqiliya to 6 months in prison and a fine of 1000 shekel (equivalent to \$270);
- 9) Omar Jamal Al Khatib from the city of Hebron to 3 months in prison and a fine of 1000 shekel (equivalent to \$270); and
- 10) Muhammad Oawarig from the town of Awarta in the district of Nablus to 3½ months in prison.

The court postponed for varied periods the trials of 30 political prisoners and extended orders of administrative detention (arrest without trial or charge) against 10 others

Administrative Detention:

- The Israeli occupation authority extended administrative detention (i) against political prisoner Ghassan Abdulwahhab Az-Zughbi from the city of Jenin to 4 months for the sixth time in a row.
- The Israeli military court at Al Mascobieh prison extended the order of (ii) administrative detention against political prisoner Ahmad Radaydeh from the city of Bethlehem to complete the investigation with him under the pretext of having a secret file against him.

POLITICAL