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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 16 March 2010 - 08:00, 17 March 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	27	_	27	Incl. 7 civilians injured in the eyes
Physical Assaults	6	_	6	Civilians & children sustained contusions
Arrests (per person)	28	_	28	Incl. 15 in Jerusalem & 7 in Nablus
Detentions	16	_	16	At checkpoints & in residential locales
Raids	31	1	32	Incl. 5 on Jenin & 3 on Tubas
Checkpoints	12	_	12	Access impeded at 6 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	24	_	24	Incl. 5 in Jerusalem & 5 in Nablus
Attacks	25	2	27	Incl. 22 attacks in confrontations
Air Patrol		1	1	Reconnaissance above Central Gaza dis.
House Occupation	1	_	1	Building roof converted into mil. post
Confiscation of Property	2	_	2	IDs from civilians in Nablus district
Land Leveling	_	1	1	An area of land in Central Gaza district
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. 2 in Jerusalem & 2 in Tulkarm
Closure of Crossing Points		5	5	Partial opening of 2 crossings only
Settler Violence	2	_	2	Stoning vehicles in Nablus & Tulkarm
Demonstrations	26	1	27	Incl. against attacks on Muslim holy places
TOTAL	269	12	281	

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 lifted at 24:00 on 16 March 2010, although it was scheduled to end at 24:00 on 13 March 2010.

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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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.
- <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. At 10:40, the Israeli army closed the checkpoint, prevented civilian access in both directions and re-opened it at a later time.
- Raid: At 10:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Hizma and fired tear gas bombs towards civilians who allegedly threw stones.

• Demonstrations:

(i) On 16 March 2010, mass demonstrations took place in the towns of Abu Dis and Anata, the villages of Al Isawiya and Sur Bahir,

Shu'fat refugee camp, the neighborhoods of Ras Al Amud, Silwan, Wad Al Jouz and At Tur in Jerusalem city and in the neighborhoods of the old city in protest at settlement projects, attacks on Muslim holy places and the inauguration of Hurva synagogue near Al Aqsa Mosque. Confrontations took place with the Israeli army. As a result, tens of civilians, including many children, sustained injuries. In addition to 7 civilians who sustained injuries in their eyes, including the civilian Rami Othman Abu Gharbiyeh who lost one of his eyes. Many other civilians sustained contusions from beating and numerous civilians were arrested, including children.

- (ii) At 10:40, 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 Hurva synagogue near Al Aqsa Mosque. Confrontations took place with the Israeli army. As a result, 9 civilians sustained injuries, including the civilians Zakariya Zaki Odeh and Abdallah Ibrahim Dhyab Lafi who sustained serious injuries. In addition, 2 children sustained injuries and a number of other civilians sustained contusions from beating and others suffered suffocation from tear gas inhalation.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested civilians during confrontations in towns, villages and the neighborhoods of Jerusalem city, including: Muhammad Waled Al Arna'ut; Ahmad Nur Ad Din Al Bashiti; Tareq Adnan At-Tamimi; Ya'koub At-Taweel; Kareem Fares Hamed; Ali Qalambu; Haytham Qalambu; Iyhab Sider; Thaer Sider; Ahed Ar Rashaq; Sameer Najib; Abdallah Riyadh Makhtoub; Muhammad Fareed Wahdan; Raef Ash-Shobaki; and Ahmad Wisam Uwaisat.

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.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: 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 the village of Sinjil, the village of Safa 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.

• <u>Flying Checkpoint</u>: At 22:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Shabtin and Qibya and opened fire towards a civilian vehicle, but those inside it managed to escape arrest.

Raids

- (i) At 10:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh.
- (ii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Rima and searched a house.
- (iii) At 02:15, the Israeli army raided Al Am'ari refugee camp in the city of El Bireh and searched a house.

• Demonstrations:

- (i) At 08:45, a demonstration of college students took place in the city of Ramallah 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 09:00, a student demonstration took place in the town of Silwad 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.
- (iii) At 11:25, a mass demonstration took place in the town of Ni'lin against the Wall and in protest at 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 injuring 8 civilians and causing suffocation to a number of other demonstrators as a result of tear gas inhalation. The Israeli army also arrested 2 civilians.
- (iv) At 12:00, a mass demonstration took place in the city of Ramallah 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.
- <u>Arrests</u>: The Israeli army arrested in the town of Ni'lin the civilians Mousa Awad Hussein Amireh and Abed Muhammad Hussein Amireh.
- <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 'Arraba town, east of the settlement of Dotan.

• Raids:

- (i) At 11:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Zububa. Again at 21:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area.
- (ii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Qabatiya.
- (iii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Jenin.

	 (iv) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Ash Shuhada'. 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. Raids: At 10:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Tayasir. At 21:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Bardala. At 02:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Al Far'a.
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. Raids: At 12:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Zeita. At 22:35, the Israeli army raided the village of Shofeh and searched a house. 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 08:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Jit and searched civilians and vehicles. At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Immatin and Al Funduq and searched civilians and vehicles. At 14:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Azzun and the village of Izbat At-Tabib. At 17:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Azzun and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 17:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Azzun, searched a number of houses and detained 2 children and released them at a later time following DCO intervention. Settler Violence: At 11:30, a group of Israeli settlers hurled stones towards civilian vehicles travelling on the bypass road east of Jit village. Demonstrations: At 10:35, a student demonstration took place in the town of Azzun

in protest at settlement projects, attacks on Muslim holy places and the inauguration of Hurva synagogue near Al Agsa Mosque in the old city of Jerusalem. At 12:30, a student demonstration took place in the town of Jayyus (ii) 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 it arrived near the Wall. (iii) At 18:00, a mass demonstration took place in the city of Qalqiliya 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. 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. **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 Agraba 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. The Israeli army continues to close by an iron gate the western entrance (ii) 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 **NABLUS** 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. Awarta commercial checkpoint is open for civilians from 05:00 until (ii) 20:00 and on Friday from 05:00 until 15:00. At 07:25, the Israeli army closed Huwwara checkpoint, prevented (iii) civilian access and arrested 4 civilians under the pretext of finding an explosive device inside a bus. The Israeli army re-opened the checkpoint at a later time.

Flying Checkpoints:

(i)

At 12:20, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints on the junction

- leading to the village of Qusin and at the entrance to the village of Sarra and searched civilians and vehicles until 14:00. At 16:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area (ii) between the city of Nablus and the town of Asira Ash-Shamaliya and searched civilians and vehicles until 18:00. At 23:55, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on Al Badhan road (the (iii) eastern entrance to Nablus city) and searched civilians and vehicles. At 06:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to (iv) the town of Beit Furik and impeded civilian access. Raids: (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Deir Al Hatab and forced a number of civilians to leave their agricultural land that is located near the settlement of Alon Moreh. The Israeli army detained 2 of the civilians and released them at a later time after confiscating their IDs. At 12:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Huwwara, occupied (ii) the roof of a house and converted it into a military post and patrolled the area. At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Madama and (iii) arrested 3 civilians. At 22:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled An Nassariya (iv) village. At 01:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Nablus. (v) **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians at Huwwara checkpoint, (i) including Muhammad Najeh Adel Hussein.
 - (ii) The Israeli army arrested the following 3 civilians in the village of Madama: Ahmad Jibril Ziyadah; Ahmad Abdulghani Ziyadah; and Wisam Rizq Mustafa Ziyadah.
 - <u>Demonstration</u>: At 11:15, a student demonstration took place in the town of Huwwara 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.

SALFIT

- <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.
- **Flying Checkpoint:** At 21:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the western entrance to the town of Deir Istiya and searched civilians and vehicles.
- <u>Raid</u>: At 14:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Biddya until 15:00.

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	 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 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 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: At 10:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho. Again at 19:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles. At 20:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Mu'arrajat road (Jericho – Ramallah).
BETHLEHEM	 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 of Taqu'a and the village of Khirbet Al Baq'a. Checkpoint: At 14:25, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint and impeded civilian access. At 05:30, the Israeli army closed the checkpoint, prevented civilian access and re-opened it at a later time. Flving Checkpoints: (i) At 17:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Khalayil Al Louz. (ii) At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Fajjar and searched civilians and vehicles until 20:40. Raids: (i) At 08:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the debris of the previously evacuated military camp of Osh Grab that is located east of Beit Sahur city until 09:40. (ii) At 11:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Beit Jala until 16:00. (iii) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Taqu'a and the village of Abu Nujeim.

- (iv) At 20:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Husan where confrontations took place with civilians while patrolling the area. Again at 03:15, the Israeli army raided the village, searched a number of houses and arrested a civilian.
- Arrest: The Israeli army arrested in the village of Husan the civilian Shadi Kheiri Muhammad Za'ul.

• <u>Demonstrations</u>:

- (i) At 08:00, a student demonstration took place in the town of Taqu'a 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 civilians.
- (ii) At 08:30, student demonstrations took place in the village of Artas and Adh Duheisha refugee camp in the city of Bethlehem 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.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues 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, only allowing Israeli vehicles as well as Israeli army vehicles to travel along this street.

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 bypass Road # 60.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al Arrub refugee camp and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 18:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Ummar and prevented civilian access until 21:00.
- (iii) At 07:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Al Burj and searched civilians and vehicles.

Raids:

- (i) At 20:15, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and patrolled the area.
- (ii) At 00:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of As Samoa'.
- (iii) At 02:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Ummar where confrontations took place with the civilians. The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians, including a child.
- (iv) At 07:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Adh Dhahiriya.
- Attack: At 19:05, the Israeli army at the entrance to Al Arrub refugee camp fired stun grenades and light flares in the sky above the refugee camp.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested in the town of Beit Ummar: Ibrahim Said Awad, 17-year-old; Amir Ibrahim Khaled Sabarneh; and Iyad Omar Sabarneh.
- <u>Detention</u>: At 12:50, the Israeli army detained in Ash Shalala road in the old city of Hebron the civilian Obadah Rabah An-Natsheh and released him at a later time following DCO intervention.

• Demonstrations:

- (i) At 11:00, a student demonstration took place in the town of Halhul 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 reached town's bridge.
- (ii) At 11:20, a student demonstration took place in the town of Beit Ummar 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 injuring 3 civilians, including a child.
- (iii) At 11:30, a student demonstration took place in the areas of Bab Az-Zawiya and Az-Zahid in the old city of Hebron 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 causing suffocation to a number of civilians as a result of tear gas inhalation.

• <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

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 raiding Palestinian territory, opening fire intensively in Central Gaza district and opening fire intensively towards a mass demonstration northwest of Beit Lahiya town in the district of Northern Gaza. Armed Palestinian groups breached the cease-fire by firing 2 mortars towards the Green Line.

<u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals. Attack: In the morning of 16 March 2010, the Israeli army on the Green Line northwest of Beit Lahiya town opened fire intensively towards **NORTHERN** a mass demonstration against the buffer zones near the border fence. **GAZA** The Israeli army prevents farmers and land owners from reaching and cultivating these areas. Palestinian Attack: In the evening of 16 March 2010, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. **Closure of Crossing Points**: Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. (i) GAZA (ii) Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing for fuel transport is closed since 04 January 2010 by an Israeli unilateral decision. **Raid:** In the morning of 17 March 2010, the Israeli army, including **CENTRAL** a number of tanks, armored vehicles and 3 bulldozers covered by reconnaissance aircrafts, raided Palestinian territory east of Al Bureij **GAZA** refugee camp, opened fire intensively and leveled areas of land.

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 3 truckloads of flower.