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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 20th March 2012 – 08:00, 21st March 2012

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Detentions	6	—	6	1 in Jerusalem, 1 in Jenin, 1 in Tulkarem, 2 in Qalqilya and 1 in Hebron.
Temporary Detention	13	—	13	At checkpoints and residential areas.
Raids	30	—	30	6 in Ramallah, 1 in Jenin, 1 in Tubas, 5 in Tulkarem, 6 in Qalqilya, 4 in Nablus, 2 in Jericho, 2 in Bethlehem and 3 in Hebron.
Closure of Checkpoints	7	—	7	Access allowed at 2 checkpoints & impeded at 5 others (Israeli forces removed a checkpoint between Tur and Mount Harzim located in south Nablus).
Flying Checkpoints	26	—	26	2 in Jerusalem, 1 in Ramallah, , 9 in Qalqilya, 5 in Nablus , 5 in Jericho, 2 in Bethlehem and 2 in Hebron.
Attacks	2	2	4	2 during confrontations, 1 from military post and 1 from naval vessels.
Confiscation of Property	6		6	Israeli forces confiscated 4 computers, a Camera and a cellular telephone in Al-Nabi Saleh village in Ramallah.
Destruction of Property	4		4	An Israeli soldier stoned and damaged 4 vehicles while positioned at a military watch tower in Ramallah.
Assault on Property	*		*	*Israeli forces submitted eviction notices to remove 2 families from their homes in Hebron.
Wall Construction	15	—	15	3 in Jerusalem, 3 in Ramallah, 1 in Tulkarem, 3 in Qalqilya, 1 in Salfit, 3 in Bethlehem and 1 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	8	—	8	Incl. 2 in Bethlehem, 1 in Jerusalem & 5 in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	66	—	66	3 in Jerusalem, 3 in Ramallah, 1 in Jenin, 4 in Tulkarem, 2 in Qalqilya, 9 in Nablus, 3 in Salfit, 1 in Jericho, 21 in Bethlehem, 19 in Hebron.
Closure of Crossings	—	4	4	Beit Hanoun crossing open. Erez crossing is open is open for the entry of humanitarian supplies, cooking gas for

				UNRWA projects, 25 truckloads of livestock feed, 20 imported vehicles and construction material for internationally funded projects including the export of 1 shipment of flowers to Europe and the shipment of 3 truckloads of biscuits to the West Bank.
Settler Violence	2	—	2	Israeli settlers chased farmers from their land in Tubas and an Israeli settler vehicle ran over 3 goats in Qalqilya.
Demonstrations	2	—	2	Demonstrations in solidarity with Palestinian detainees and demanding their release from Israeli jails.
TOTAL	187	6	193	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Since January 13th 2012, the Israeli army increased its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrance to Jerusalem city, set up several flying checkpoints on the main road leading to the city entrance and the entrance to the Old City. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the ‘demarcation area’ along the Wall in the area surrounding occupied East Jerusalem and restricts access to local residents as well as to civilians holding special permits. (iii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill between Biddu and Beitlksa villages. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt mounds the entrance to Jaba’ village. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the gate along the Wall section separating the area of Dahiyat Al-Bareed from Al-Ram town. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the eastern entrance to Beitlksa village and forces civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint. • Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli authorities continue to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a “border crossing point” and designate a special crossing lane for holders of Jerusalem IDs and another for those possessing permits to access Jerusalem city. • Detention: On March 20th 2012, Israeli forces detained Thaer Mara as he was doing rehabilitation work on his home in Silwan neighbourhood in Jerusalem. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the Wall gate in Abu Dis town. (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on
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	<p>Al-Shayyah road in the area between Al-Sawahira Al-Sharqiya and Al-Sawahira Al-Gharbiya villages, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continued in the areas north and south of Qalandiya village; south of Al-Za'ayyem village; and in Wadi Al-Eizariya west of the illegal settlement Ma'ale Adumim.
RAMALLAH & AL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Sinjil village as well as the junction to Kafr Malik and 'Ein Samiya villages. • Flying Checkpoints: At 18:30, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at the entrance of Al-Mughier village. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:30, Israeli forces raided Abu Shukhidum village. (ii) At 01:50, Israeli forces raided Atara, Bir Zeit and Kobar village. (iii) At 02:20, Israeli forces raided Al-Berih city. (iv) At dawn on March 21st 2012, Al-Nabi Saleh, stormed several homes, confiscated 4 computers, a camera and a cellular phone. • Destruction of Property: At 15:55, an Israeli soldier positioned at a watch tower near a military post in Ofar settlement stoned several vehicles leaving 4 vehicles damaged. • Demonstrations: At 10:00, family members of detainees and Palestinian activists marched in front of the International Red Cross headquarters in Al-Berih city in solidarity with Palestinian detainees and demanding their release from Israeli prisons. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continued in the area west of 'Abud town in the area surrounding the illegal settlement 'Ofarim and north of Al-Lubban Al-Gharbi and Rantis villages.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the illegal settlement Dotan. • Raid: At 02:35, Israeli forces raided Araba, stormed a home and detained a resident. • Detention: Israeli forces detained Jafar Qa'dan during their raid into Araba. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which undercuts the access to education and health services for civilians living behind the Wall.
TUBAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to restrict Palestinian access to the Northern Jordan Valley through the Tayasir checkpoint to between the hours of 06:00 and 22:00. • Raids: At 22:55, Israeli forces raided Al-Aqba village. • Settler Violence: At 14:30, a group of Israeli settlers raided agricultural land in Al-Malah village and chased away several farmers from their land then withdrew at 15:30 under the protection of Israeli forces.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the road connecting Kafr Al-Labad town to Shufa village. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to increase its restrictions on Palestinian access at 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road and impeded the free flow of traffic.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raid:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:15, Israeli forces raided Beit Lid until 09:00. (ii) At 10:00, Israeli forces raided Alar and Al-Sayda village, temporarily detained and interrogated several residents then withdrew at 11:05. (iii) At 10:50, Israeli forces raided Baqa Al-Sharqiya until 12:30. (iv) At 04:55, Israeli forces raided Anabta and detained a resident. • <u>Detention:</u> Israeli forces detained Ayman Jawabra during their raid into Anabta. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, undercutting access to education and health services for civilians living behind the Wall. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land levelling for adjustment of the Wall route continued in the area surrounding Jubara village. According to an Israeli High Court decision, the new Wall route will be constructed west of the village.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli forces continue to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of Azzun (ii) In addition to closing the gate installed since the outbreak the second <i>Intifada</i>, the Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the eastern entrance to Kafr Qaddum village. • <u>Flying checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:20, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at the entrance of Al-Nabi Eliyas village. (ii) At 15:15 and again at 21:50, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at Jit village junction. (iii) At 16:30, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at the entrance of Qalqilya. (iv) At 17:30, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at the entrance of Azzun. (v) At 17:30, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at the entrance of Izbat Al-Tabib village. (vi) At 18:10, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at Jinsafut village junction. (vii) At 07:45, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint between Habla and Ras Atiya village. • <u>Raid:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:20, Israeli forces raided Jit village until 15:10. (ii) At 15:25, Israeli forces raided Baqat Al-Hatab village, temporarily detained and interrogated Zaher Al-Barghouthi then withdrew at 15:40. (iii) At 19:15, Israeli forces raided Haja village, temporarily detained and interrogated several residents. (iv) At 20:25, Israeli forces raided Kafr Qadum village, set up a checkpoint at its entrance then withdrew at 23:00. (v) At 01:20, Israeli forces raided Jayyus. (vi) At 01:30, Israeli forces raided Siniriya village, searched 7 homes with Police dogs, detained a resident then withdrew at 05:00. • <u>Attack:</u> At 19:15, Israeli forces positioned at a military post located in north Azzun fired flash grenades in the area. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 17:30, an Israeli settler vehicle ran over 3 goats along the road between Nablus, Al-Funduq and Jinsafut villages an owned by Baha Bashir, a resident of Jinsafut village during which Israeli troops detained the owner after storming his home. • <u>Detention:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli forces detained Abdel Karim Hijla in Sinariya.

	<p>(ii) Israeli forces detained Baha Bashir in Jinsafut village.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to restrict access at ‘Azzun ‘Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, using a metal detector.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the entrance to the village of Wadi Al-Rasha and to deny civilian access. The Israeli army allows residents to access the village through Gate #109. Having removed the gate at the entrance to the village of RasAtiya; the Israeli army only allows students to cross to their schools outside the village through the Habla gate.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continued in Kafr Laqef village north of Karnei Shomron settlement; in Immatin village northeast of Imanuel settlement; and east of Kafr Thulth town near Ma’ale Shomron settlement .
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to close the roads of Till-Burin and Beit Furik-Salem; the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh; the road connecting the town of ‘Aqraba to the village of Osrin; and the detour road between the town of Qabalan and the village of Osrin.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to Qabalan town; the southern entrances to the town of Jamma’in and the villages of Duma and Qaryut.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoints: <p>(i) At 05:00Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are only allowed to cross between 05:00 and 20:00 and between 05:00 and 15:00 on Fridays. All vehicles can access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint.</p> <p>(ii) At 15:40, the Israeli army removed a checkpoint located between Al-Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim Mount) which had been in place since the year 2000.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flying checkpoints: <p>(i) At 08:00, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at Al-Maslakh area.</p> <p>(ii) At 12:50 and again at 20:40, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at Sara village junction.</p> <p>(iii) At 15:35, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at the western entrance of Sabustiya village.</p> <p>(iv) At 22:15, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at Deir Sharaf junction.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raid: <p>(i) At 13:05, Israeli forces raided Rujib village.</p> <p>(ii) At 19:30, Israeli forces raided Awarta village, clashed with residents then withdrew at 20:45.</p> <p>(iii) At 21:10, Israeli forces raided Dier Sharaf village, searched a home then withdrew at 22:30.</p> <p>(iv) At 23:20, Israeli forces raided Beit Aybah, searched a home then withdrew at 00:15.</p>
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the entrance to two detour roads connecting Marda village to its farmland.</p> <p>(ii) Since 14 November 2010, the Israeli army has opened the northern entrance to Salfit city to civilian buses only. The entrance had been closed for seven years, and at 11:00, Israeli forces closed the entrance and impeded the free flow of</p>

	<p>traffic.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to restrict access at Zaatara checkpoint and impede the free flow of traffic. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of the illegal settlement because of the Sabbath holiday.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al-Oja village with cement blocks. • Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli forces continue to restrict access through Al-Hamra checkpoint set up along the road connecting Jericho and Nablus Districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho District and the Jordan Valley area. (ii) Israeli forces continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the junction to Al-Oja village, only allowing access to residents of the Jericho District and others with access permits. • Flying Checkpoint: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:55 and again at 20:20, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at the southern entrance of Jericho. (ii) At 18:05, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint near Ein Dweik village located in the northern entrance of Jericho. (iii) At 18:05, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at Al-Fasayil village junction. (iv) At 18:20, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at Al-Oja village junction. • Raid: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:20, Israeli forces raided Jericho until 09:40. (ii) At 18:10, Israeli forces Ein Dweik Al-Foqa village. • Assault on Property: At 16:50, Israeli forces gave Al-Kabana and Karishan families mandatory eviction orders to leave their homes.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close roads to An Nu'man village, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village. (ii) Since 15 September 2007, the Israel army has prevented civilians from accessing or staying on 22 dunums of confiscated land in Al Mazmuriya area in Beit Sahur and Bethlehem cities. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmed road; a road east of Beit Fajjar town; the road connecting Tuqu' town to Khirbet al Baq'a village; and the detour road connecting Wadi Fukin and Al Jab'a villages. (ii) Since 14:30 on January 10th 2012, the Israeli army closed a road leading to Taqou with dirt mounds. • Flying Checkpoint: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:50, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at Al-Nashash junction. (ii) At 21:30, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at the entrance of Taqou. • Raid: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:20, Israeli forces raided Mount Nahla area in Irtas village until 11:35. (ii) At 21:25, Israeli forces raided Taqou. • Demonstration: At 11:00, family members of detainees and Palestinian activists marched in front of the International Red Cross headquarters in Bethlehem in solidarity with detainees and demanding their release from Israeli prisons. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continued northwest of Beit Jala town.

<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 Al-Shuhada' Street, Al-Sahleh and Khuzq Al-Far areas, as well as the old gold market in Hebron's Old City. In addition to closing the entrance to Al-Qeisi neighbourhood, the Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the area of Al-Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) with an electronic gate; Al-Laban Market also remains closed. (ii) Since 05 January 2009, the Israeli army has closed the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta. Having seized land for Wall construction, the Israeli army evicted the Palestinian residents and denied them. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Al-Thahiriya and Al-Samoa' towns, Al-'Arrub refugee camp, and Al-Tuwani and Al-Karmel villages. (ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along the old Al-Shalala Street leading to Hebron's Old City. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close all roads leading to Road # 60 as well as detour roads along the settler bypass road leading to Yatta town. (iv) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds a detour road leading to the entrance to Al-Simiya village access to the area. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:05, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at Palestine technical college junction near Al-Urub camp. (ii) At 15:05, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint near Mount Johar area in the old city of Hebron. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At dawn on March 20th 2012, Israeli forces raided Sair and stormed a home. (ii) At 10:50, Israeli forces raided Halhul, gave Mohanad Al-Aqrat a notice to halt construction on his home for allegedly not having proper licencing because of its location in area C which is under Israeli administrative and security control then withdrew at 11:05. (iii) At 18:05, Israeli forces raided Beit Ummar, clashed with residents, detained a resident and summoned Mohammad Al-Alami and Madroh Al-Alami to report to Israeli intelligence for questioning. • <u>Detention:</u> Israeli forces detained Samer Al-Alamy during their raid into Beit Ummar. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continued in the area surrounding the illegal settlement Eshkolot, west of Al-Thahiriya town.
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GAZA STRIP

<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the unilateral ceasefire declared by Israel came into effect. At a later time on the same day, armed Palestinian groups announced an agreement to cease fire. The ceasefire has been further renewed on 13 March 2012 at 01:00. • On 14.12.2011, Israeli forces placed floating marks 3 miles from Gaza's seashore and warned fishermen against pass beyond the mark. • Israeli forces broke the cease fire agreement by opening fire from their positions behind the Green Line towards agricultural land in Rafah. • Israeli naval vessels broke the ceasefire agreement by opening fire towards Palestinian fishing boats off the shores of Rafah.
<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u> Beit Hanoun (Erez) is open for humanitarian assistance, journalists and international access.
<p style="text-align: center;">GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 02 March 2011, the Crossing has been effectively closed following a unilateral Israeli decision. (ii) Al-Shija'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed following a unilateral Israeli decision.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAFAH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. • Rafah (<i>Al 'Awdah</i>) Crossing is open for the exit of patients, students and passengers with permits. • Sufa Crossing is closed. • Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing is open for the entry of humanitarian supplies, cooking gas for UNRWA projects, 25 truckloads of livestock feed, 20 imported vehicles and construction material for internationally funded projects including the export of 1 shipment of flowers to Europe and the shipment of 3 truckloads of biscuits to the West Bank. • <u>Attack:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On the evening of March 19th 2012, Israeli naval vessels opened fire towards Palestinian fishing boats off the shores of Rafah. (ii) On the morning of March 20th 2012, Israeli forces opened fire from their positions behind the Green Line towards agricultural land near Sufa crossing in Rafah.