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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 21 March 2010 – 08:00, 22 March 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Killings	2	—	2	2 civilians in Nablus district
Arrests (per person)	12	—	12	Incl. 7 in Hebron & 4 in Ramallah districts
Detentions	12	—	12	At checkpoints & in residential locals
Raids	16	—	16	Incl. 5 in Hebron & 4 in Bethlehem
Checkpoints	10	—	10	Access impeded at 6 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	19	—	19	Incl. 4 in Qalqiliya & 1 in Tulkarm
Attacks	6	1	7	Incl. the firing of a missile mortar
Air Attack	—	1	1	Missile by F-16 warplane against tunnel
Air Patrol	—	1	1	F-16 warplanes during air attacks
Wall Construction	22	—	22	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Heb., Beth.
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Incl. Jerusalem city & areas in Hebron city
Closure of Main Roads	40	—	40	In all West Bank districts
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	5	Only 2 crossings are partially open
Demonstrations	4	1	5	Incl. against attacks on Muslim holy places
Palestinian Attack	—	1	1	Firing 1 mortar towards the Green Line
TOTAL	150	10	160	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at checkpoints set up at entrances to the city of Jerusalem and Al Aqsa 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. • Checkpoint: 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 19:00, the Israeli army closed the checkpoint and prevented civilian access under the pretext of finding a suspicious vehicle. The Israeli army opened the checkpoint at a later time. • Demonstration: At 18:00, a mass demonstration took place in the village of Al Issawiya in protest at settlement projects, attacks on Muslim holy places and the inauguration of Hurva synagogue near Al Aqsa Mosque. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Sinjil village, Safa village and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiya. (ii) On 15 March 2010, the Israeli army issued military order declaring the

	<p>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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> (i) At 13:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Ras Karkar and Deir Ibzi' and searched civilians and vehicles until 15:00. (ii) At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the settlement of 'Ofrah and arrested 4 civilians, including 2 children. • <u>Raid:</u> At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city of El Bireh, searched a house, served summon to a civilian to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency and withdrew at 03:00. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested near the settlement of 'Ofrah: Riyadh Abdulraheem Hamed, 16-year-old; Ahmad Hatem, 17-year-old; Ra'fat Awwad Hatem; and Abdallah Kamel Hamed. • <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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <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. • <u>Raid:</u> At 14:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Qabatiya. • <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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> 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. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarm-Nablus main road. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 15:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the town of Beit Lid and searched civilians and vehicles until 16:40. • <u>Raid:</u> At 19:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Nazlat Issa. • <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.

<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILYA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of ‘Azzun. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Azzun. Again at 21:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 13:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles until 14:00. (iii) At 21:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Jit and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:15, the Israeli army raided the town of Azzun. Again at 20:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area. (ii) At 13:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Jayyus. (iii) At 20:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Jit. • <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 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.
<p style="text-align: center;">NABLUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close 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 Aqraba to the village of Osarin. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 08:20, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Huwwara checkpoint and searched and detained civilians for long hours.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 18:40, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the junction leading to the town of Beita and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Killings:</u> At 12:00, 2 civilians from the village of Awarta have been shot and killed by the Israeli army near the junction leading to the settlement of Itimar while in the area of Al Bayada that is located east of Awarta village. They are Muhammad Faisal Muhammad Qawareeq and Salah Muhammad Kamel Qawareeq. • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 16:50, a student demonstration took place in the town of Aqraba 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.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <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>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Deir Istiya and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Mas-ha and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Kifl Hares and the village of Hares. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 09:50, the Israeli army arrested at Za'tara junction checkpoint the civilian Saleh Kamel Muhammad Dhmaid. • <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.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 17:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the Dead Sea junction and searched civilians and vehicles.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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.

	<p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to prevent civilian access to an area that is located in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 20:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on at the entrance to the town of Beit Fajjar and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:05, the Israeli army raided the town of Taqu'a where confrontations took place with school pupils. (ii) At 15:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Khadr town. (iii) At 15:40, the Israeli army raided the debris of the previously evacuated military camp of Osh Grab that is located east of Beit Sahur city and patrolled the area. (iv) At 20:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Husan where confrontations took place with civilians while patrolling the area. The Israeli army withdrew at 21:40. • Detention: At 12:10, the Israeli army detained at the 'Container' checkpoint the Palestinian National Security officer Baha' Muhammad Saleem Hasanat and released him at 12:25 following DCO intervention. • Demonstration: At 11:10, a mass demonstration with the participation of international peace activists took place in the area of Al Kreimzan northwest of Beit Jala city in protest at leveling work in land belonging to civilians planted with olive trees in order to complete the construction of the Wall. Confrontations took place with the Israeli army causing suffocation to 2 demonstrators from tear gas inhalation. • Wall Construction: 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.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 Checkpoints:**

- (i) At 09:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Ummar and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint in the area between the towns of Tarqumiya Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 21:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al Fawwar refugee camp and searched civilians and vehicles.

- **Raids:**

- (i) At 10:20, the Israeli army raided the area of Sinjer that is located between the city of Hebron and the town of Dura and patrolled it.
- (ii) At 10:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beit Ummar.
- (iii) At 13:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Khirbet Safa.
- (iv) At 19:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron.
- (v) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Kharsa, searched a number of houses and arrested 7 civilians.

- **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested in the village of Kharsa the following 7 civilians: Ahmad Kamel Amr; Ali Kamel Amr; Thaer Abdulaziz Amr; Osama Mahmoud Abu Sharar; Luay Azmi Amr; Ayman Hasan Ahmad Hantash; and Muhammad Ahmad Tbaishah.

- **Demonstration:** At 16:50, a mass demonstration took place in the area of 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. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army causing suffocation to a number of civilians from tear gas inhalation.

- **Wall Construction:** 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.
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GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 firing a missile mortar from its locations inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory west of Beit Lahiya town in Northern Gaza district and by a missile airstrike by F-16 warplanes targeting a smuggling tunnel in Rafah district. Armed Palestinian groups breached the ceasefire by firing 1 mortar towards the Green Line.
NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals. Attack: In the evening of 21 March 2010, the Israeli army fired a missile mortar from its locations inside the Green Line towards armed Palestinian individuals west of Beit Lahiya town. Palestinian Attack: In the evening of 21 March 2010, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. (i) Al-Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing for fuel transport is closed since 04 January 2010 by an Israeli unilateral decision.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activities not reported.
KHAN YOUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activities not reported.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (Al Awdah) Crossing is closed. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) 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.

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Air Attack:</u> At 01:00, Israeli F-16 warplanes fired a missile against a smuggling tunnel in the area of Al Jaradat east of Rafah city near Palestine – Egypt borders.• <u>Demonstration:</u> In the morning of 21 March 2010, a mass demonstration with the participation of international activists took place in the neighborhood of An Nahda that is located east of Rafah city against the buffer zone near the border fence where the Israeli army deny access to farmers and land owners for cultivation. |
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