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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 24 March 2011 – 08:00 25 March 2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	—	1	A civilian severely beaten in Qalqiliya
Injuries	1	5	6	Incl. a civilian in critical condition
Air Attacks	—	6	6	Missiles by UAVs and F16 aircraft
Attacks	2	2	4	1 in a raid and 3 from mil. posts
Raids	12	—	12	Incl. 4 in Bethlehem and 3 in Hebron
Air Patrols	—	10	10	Incl. 5 by reconnaissance aircraft
Arrests (per person)	7	1	8	Incl. an injured civilian
Detentions	19	—	19	At checkpoints and in residential areas
Wall Construction	13	—	13	Incl. in Jerusalem, Qalqiliya, & Hebron
Destruction of Property	1	2	3	Incl. a paved road levelled in Salfit
Closure of Checkpoints	8	—	8	Incl. access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	18	—	18	Incl. 6 in Qalqiliya and 3 in Jericho
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Incl. Jerusalem & 2 areas in Bethlehem
Closure of Main Roads	46	—	46	Throughout the West Bank districts
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	4	Incl. humanitarian cases allowed access
Settler Violence	3	—	3	Incl. vehicles stoned and denied access
Palestinian Attacks	—	19	19	29 mortars fired towards Green Line
TOTAL	138	49	187	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Beginning on 23 March 2011, the Israeli army has continued to intensify restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to Jerusalem city, set up flying checkpoints on road junctions and in the old city of Jerusalem, and denied access to civilians following an explosion near an Israeli bus in West Jerusalem. (i) The Israeli army continues to close the ‘demarcation area’ along the Wall in the area surrounding Jerusalem city and restrict access to the area to local residents as well as to civilians holding special permits. (ii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill between Biddu and Beit Ikxa villages. • 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 from the town of Ar Ram. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the eastern entrance to Beit Ikxa village and force civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint. • Checkpoint: The Israeli authorities continue to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a “border crossing point” and designates a special crossing lane for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access Jerusalem city. • 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 Ash Shayyah road in the area between As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya villages, 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 north of Qalandiya village; south of Az Za’ayyem village; and in Wadi al ‘Eizariya west of Ma’ale Adumim settlement.
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 town and Saffa village as well as the junction to Kafir Malik and ‘Ein Samiya villages. (ii) Although it removed the dirt barricade, the Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the eastern entrance to An Nabi Salih village. • Flying Checkpoint: At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to ‘Atara town and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area west of ‘Abud town in the area surrounding ‘Ofarim settlement 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 barricades the road leading to the town of ‘Arraba east of Dotan settlement. • Arrest: At 01:05 on 24 March 2011, the Israeli army arrested Rami Ahmed Tawfiq Kamil during its raid into Qabatiya town, as was report yesterday. • 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.
TUBAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: Though allowing civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley between 06:00 and 22:00, the Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the city of Tubas. At 16:40, Israeli troops intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access at the checkpoint. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Ibziq village. (ii) At 11:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled ‘Aqqaba town. • Settler Violence: At 18:10, a group of Israeli settlers from Maskiyyot settlement erected a fence around a residential tent and sheep shelters on a piece of land belonging to Nabil Mustafa Daraghmeh on the outskirts of ‘Ein al Hilwa village.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting Kafr al Labad town to Shufa village as well as the road connecting Shufa and ‘Izbat Shufa villages. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades a detour road leading to Ramin village along the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • Checkpoint: At 17:55, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access at ‘Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • Flying Checkpoint: At 19:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit Lid town and searched civilians and vehicles. • Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of ‘Azzun. • Flying Checkpoints/Physical Assault/Detention: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Jinsafut village and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 12:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Hajja village and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 16:30, and again at 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to ‘Azzun town and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<p>(iv) At 19:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Kafr Laqif village, searched civilians and vehicles, and severely beat Ghaleb Saleh Shubeitah, leaving him with contusions. Shubeitah was transported to hospital for medical treatment. Israeli troops also detained Tareq Adam Badwan and released him after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).</p> <p>(v) At 20:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between ‘Azzun town and ‘Izbat at Tabib village and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Settler Violence: At 13:55, a group of Israeli settlers threw stones at civilian vehicles travelling near the junction to Kafr Laqif village on the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road. • Wall Gates: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at ‘Azzun ‘Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector. (ii) The Israeli army continues close with an iron gate the entrance to the village of Wadi ar Rasha and to deny civilian access. The Israeli army allows residents to access the village through Gate #109. Having removed the iron gate at the entrance to the village of Ras ‘Atiya, the Israeli army only allows students to cross to their schools outside the village through the Habla gate. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Kafr Laqif 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: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (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 Osarin; and the detour road between the town of Qabalan and the village of Osarin. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan; the southern entrances to the town of Jamma’in and the villages of Duma and Qaryut; and the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite the settlement of Shavei Shomron. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim Mount) is closed on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On all other days, it is open for civilian residents of the neighbourhood only between 07:00 and 02:00. (ii) At ‘Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are allowed to cross between 05:00 and 20:00, but between 05:00 and 15:00 on Fridays. All civilian vehicles are allowed to access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raid:</u> At 02:00, the Israeli army raided ‘Awarta village and arrested three civilians (brothers). • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested three civilians in ‘Awarta village: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Hisham Mustafa Sa’id ‘Awwad; (ii) Hashem Mustafa Sa’id ‘Awwad; and (iii) Mohammed Mustafa Sa’id ‘Awwad. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 13:00, a group of Israeli settlers attempted to prevent civilian vehicles from travelling along the main road near the junction to Yitzhar settlement.
SALFIT	<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 dirt barricades and cement blocks the northern entrance to the Bruqin town. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrances to two detour roads connecting Marda village to its respective farmland. (iii) Beginning on 14 November 2010, the Israeli army has continued to open the northern entrance to Salfit city to civilian buses only. The entrance had been closed for seven years. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the Za’tara junction checkpoint and impede civilian access. • <u>Raids/Construction of Property:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:55, the Israeli army, including a bulldozer, raided Qarawat Bani Hassan village, levelled the <i>Al Hurriya</i> Road for the second time, and withdrew at 12:20. (ii) At 00:10, the Israeli army raided Deir Istiya town, searched a house, and served a summons on Bilal Khadher Ahmed Mansour to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. At 01:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • <u>Detentions:</u> At 20:15, Israeli troops detained two civilians while they were present on their land near Kafr ad Dik town: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mohammed Raslan Ali Ahmed; and (ii) ‘Uday Ghassan Ali Ahmed. <p>Israeli troops released both civilians at a later time.</p> • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of Emmanuel settlement.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Road:</u> The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al ‘Auja village with cement blocks. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting Jericho and Nablus districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho district of the Jordan Valley area. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the junction to Al ‘Auja village along Al-Mu’arrajat road connecting Jericho and Ramallah districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho district as well as to others holding access permits.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:40, and again at 19:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city and searched civilian vehicles. (ii) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near ‘Ein ad Duyuk village (the northern entrance to Jericho city) and searched civilians and vehicles until 19:25. • <u>Attack/Injury:</u> At 08:35, Israeli troops opened fire on and injured a civilian near the entrance to Tomer settlement near Fasayil village, allegedly because he had assaulted the settlement guard and attempted to steal his weapon. Israeli troops also arrested the injured civilian. • <u>Arrest:</u> Israeli troops arrested Karam Suleiman Abu al ‘Anad near the entrance to Tomer settlement near Fasayil village.
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. (ii) According to Military Order # S/02/07, the Israeli army has continued since 15 September 2007 to deny civilian access to an area measuring 22 <i>dunums</i> of land in the area of Mazmuriya in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. The land was confiscated pursuant to Military Order T/31/07. (iii) Beginning on 20 January 2011, the Israeli army has continued to close the detour road connecting Wadi Fukin and Al Jab’a villages. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad road; a road east of Beit Fajjar town; and a rural road connecting Tuqu’ town to Khirbet al Baq’a village. • <u>Raids/Attack:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:25, the Israeli army raided Beit Fajjar town and patrolled the area until 11:45. (ii) At 13:20, the Israeli army raided Husan village. At 19:00, the Israeli army raided the village again and opened indiscriminate fire while patrolling the area. The Israeli army also set up a checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the village and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 00:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Beit Jala city. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 02:15 on 24 March 2011, the Israeli army arrested Mus’ab Taleb Theeb Shousheh during its raid into Husan village, in addition to those reported to yesterday. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the area northwest of Beit Jala city; around Al Walaja village; and east of Efrat settlement.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close Ash Shuhada’ Street, As Sahleh and Khuzq al Far areas, and the old gold market in the old city of Hebron. 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 iron gate and Al Laban Market with iron plates.

	<p>(ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued Military Order # 09/06/S on the closure of the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta, evacuation of civilian residents, and prevention of civilian access to the area. According to Military Orders # 05/03/T and 05/04/T, land in this area was confiscated for Wall construction.</p> <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 As Samoa' and Adh Dhahiriya towns, Al 'Arrub refugee camp, and At Tuwani and Al Karmil villages. (ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron. (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) At 08:00, the Israeli army closed with dirt barricades detour roads leading to Beit Ummar town. • Flying Checkpoints/Detention: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Adh Dhahiriya town and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 16:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Ash Shalala Street in the old city of Hebron and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 18:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Beit 'Awwa tow, searched civilian vehicles, detained Mohammed 'Ayed Muteir 'Odeh, and released him at 20:40. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:35, the Israeli army raided Dura town and gained access to the Palestinian Traffic Department yard. At 04:20, the Israeli army raided the town again and patrolled it until 05:10. (ii) At 14:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Bani Na'im town. • Arrest: At 01:30 on 24 March 2011, the Israeli army arrested Omar Mohammed Mahmoud Ibreighith during its raid into Beit Ummar town, in addition to those reported yesterday. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area surrounding Eshkolot settlement west of Adh Dhahiriya town.
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<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 the Israeli authorities came into effect. At a later time on the same day, armed Palestinian groups announced an agreement to cease fire for a week. Later, armed Palestinian groups extended the ceasefire until 05 February 2009. The ceasefire continues to hold. • Violations of the Ceasefire: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army fired artillery shells from its locations on the Green Line and combat aircraft fired missiles (during six aerial raids) on Palestinian territory. Israeli attacks resulted in the injury of four civilians and an armed Palestinian individual. A civilian was in critical condition.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Armed Palestinian groups fired 29 mortars towards the Green Line. (iii) On 24 March 2011, Israeli reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over all of the Gaza Strip districts.
NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing was partially open to previously-coordinated critically ill civilians, foreign journalists, international organisations staff, merchants, businesspeople, and civilians intending to travel to Jordan through Al Karama (Allenby) Bridge in the West Bank. • Air Attacks/Injuries: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:50, an Israeli UAV fired a missile on armed Palestinian individuals north of Beit Lahiya town, injuring an armed individual. (ii) In the evening of 24 March 2011, Israeli F16 combat aircraft fired three missiles on an uninhabited building in As Sudaniya area west of Beit Lahiya town, injuring three civilians. (iii) In the evening of 24 March 2011, an Israeli UAV fired a number of missiles on armed Palestinian individuals in Al Bora area east of Beit Hanun town. • Arrest: On 24 March 2011, Israeli troops positioned at Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing arrested Wisam Khalil Abu Samrah, while he was returning to the Gaza Strip. • Palestinian Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:20, an unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. (ii) At 08:50, two unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (iii) At 11:50, a Grad missile was fired towards the Green Line. (iv) At 12:00, an unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. (v) At 13:00, an unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. (vi) At 14:50, a Grad missile was fired towards the Green Line. (vii) At 15:55, a Grad missile was fired towards the Green Line. (viii) In the afternoon of 24 March 2011, an unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. (ix) At dawn on 25 March 2011, two Grad missiles were 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 (Karnei) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 02 March 2011, the Crossing has been effectively closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision. (ii) Ash Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision. • Air Attack: In the evening of 24 March 2011, Israeli UAVs fired three missiles over two consecutive air raids on a vacant area in the area surrounding Ar Rayyes Mountain east of Gaza city as well as on a training site of an armed Palestinian group southwest of the city.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attacks/Injury/Destruction of Property:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) In the evening of 24 March 2011, the Israeli army fired an artillery shell from its location on the Green Line on a carpenter's workshop and wood storehouse in Az Zaytun neighbourhood southeast of Gaza city. The air attack resulted in the injury of a civilian and damage of both the carpenter's workshop and the wood storehouse. (ii) In the evening of 24 March 2011, the Israeli army fired four artillery shells from its location on the Green Line on Palestinian territory in the area surrounding Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing east of Gaza city. • <u>Palestinian Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:10, two unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (ii) In the morning of 25 March 2011, an unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Air Attack:</u> In the evening of 24 March 2011, an Israeli UAV fired a missile on armed Palestinian individuals east of Deir la Balah city. • <u>Palestinian Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 06:30 on 24 March 2011, a mortar was fired towards the Green Line. (ii) At 06:40 on 25 March 2011, three mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Palestinian Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:30, three unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (ii) At noon on 24 March 2011, a Grad missile was fired towards the Green Line. (iii) In the evening of 24 March 2011, a mortar was fired towards the Green Line. (iv) At 23:30, two unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing was open to allow civilians, patients, students, and civilians holding visas and residence cards abroad to depart the Gaza Strip. Access was also allowed to patients, who had received medical attentions at Egyptian hospitals, as well as to a delegation of international peace activists, including 15 members. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing was partially open for transportation of food supplies, humanitarian aid, and cooking gas. 38 truckloads of animal feed and seven truckloads of cement designated to UNRWA projects were transported to the Gaza Strip. One truckload of flowers was also exported through the Crossing. • <u>Palestinian Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:20, three mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (ii) At 15:30, an unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.