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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 28 March 2010 – 08:00, 29 March 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Killings	1	1	2	Incl. a woman run over by settler vehicle
Arrests (per person)	12	—	12	Incl. Fateh Executive Committee member
Detentions	15	—	15	Incl. 5 international peace activists
Raids	16	1	17	Incl. 1 in Jericho & 1 in Tubas
Checkpoints	9	—	9	Access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	16	—	16	Incl. 1 in Ramallah & 1 in Tulkarm
Attacks	5	1	6	4 in raids & 2 from military posts
Air Patrol	—	1	1	Reconnaissance above Central Gaza dis.
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	Serving summon to a security officer
Land Leveling	—	1	1	Area of land in Central Gaza district
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	Incl. 1 in Qalqiliya & 1 in Jericho
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	5	Partial opening of 2 crossings
Demonstration	1	—	1	Incl. against denying Christian celebration
TOTAL	145	10	155	

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> At 24:00 on 28 March 2010, the Israeli army imposed full closure on West Bank districts for the Jewish holiday of Passover “Pessah.” The Israeli army prevented civilians and workers from entering the city of Jerusalem or crossing the Green Line, with the exception of previously coordinated humanitarian cases, members of non-governmental organizations, men of religion, journalists, 550 students and teachers and Christian civilians with entry of permits to Jerusalem city for Easter until 24:00 on 06 April 2010.
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DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Closure:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> On 28 March 2010, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions on checkpoints set up at the main entrances to the city of Jerusalem and Al Aqsa Mosque and set up checkpoints on all roads leading to the old city. The Israeli army only allowed civilians above 50 years carrying Israeli “blue” IDs to enter the mosque for prayer through the gates of As-Silsilah, Al Majles (An-Nadher) and Hittah, after closing all other gates leading to the mosque, which forced many civilians to perform the Maghreb and ‘Isha’ prayer in the streets and near the gates of the old city. On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued military order # S/02/09 closing the seam line area, an extension of the Wall. 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 Ikka. <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba’. 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. <u>Raid:</u> At 11:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Kafr Aqab and Qalandiya refugee camp. <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks.
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	<p>(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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.
<p>RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: (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 area located between civilian houses and the Wall in the town of Ni’lin and the village of Bil’in as closed military zones from 08:00 until 20:00 every Friday and for a period of 6 months. Civilian access is denied during the mentioned period without a special permit in order to prevent the weekly demonstrations against the Wall. • Flying Checkpoint: At 23:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass leading to Atara town and impeded civilian access. • Raids: (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided the city of El Bireh, searched a commercial shop and served summon to its owner to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. Again at 22:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area. (ii) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Deir Abu Mash’al and opened fire indiscriminately while patrolling the area. • Wall Construction: 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.
<p>JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to ‘Arraba town, east of the settlement of Dotan. • 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.
<p>TOUBAS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Raid: At 00:15, the Israeli army raided the city of Tubas and patrolled the area.

<p>TULKAREM</p>	<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. At 15:40, the Israeli army closed the checkpoint, prevented civilian access and re-opened it at 16:20. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the town of Beit Lid and searched civilians and vehicles. • <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>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 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Azzun and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 11:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of An-Nabi Elias (on Qalqiliya – Nablus main road) and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 18:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Jit and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 21:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Hajja and Al Funduq and searched civilians and vehicles. (v) At 21:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction leading to the village of Immatin (on Qalqiliya – Nablus main road) and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raid:</u> At 18:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Azzun. • <u>Attack:</u> At 19:05, the Israeli army guarding the Wall fired stun grenades and light flares in the sky above the northern area of the city of Qalqiliya under the pretext of throwing stones. • <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>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

	<p>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.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close by an iron gate the western entrance to An Naqura village, opposite Shavi Shomron settlement.</p> <p>(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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <p>(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.</p> <p>(ii) Awarta commercial checkpoint is open for civilians from 05:00 until 20:00 and on Friday from 05:00 until 15:00.</p> • <u>Raids:</u> <p>(i) At 20:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Iraq Burin village.</p> <p>(ii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, searched a number of houses, arrested 2 children and withdrew at 04:30.</p> • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested in the city of Nablus Jihad Waddah Al Qutob, 17-year-old, and Mu'taz Hamdi 'Ikasheh, 16-year-old.
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>Killing:</u> At 12:00, the civilian woman Zuhdiyeh Abdulraheem Sultan from the village of Hares died while receiving treatment in an Israeli hospital. She sustained her serious injuries when an Israeli settler ran over her by his vehicle in 1999 near the village. • <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> <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at al-Hamra checkpoint and allow civilian access from 06:00 until 22:00.</p> <p>(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.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raid:</u> At 03:10, the Israeli army raided Aqbet Jaber refugee camp in the city of Jericho, searched 2 houses and served summons to 2 civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 19:00, the Israeli army at Al Karama (Allenby) checkpoint arrested the civilian Ma'ath Ameen Al Ghul from Al Far'a refugee camp in the district of Tubas upon his return from Jordan. • <u>Detention:</u> At 10:00, the Israeli army at Al Hamra checkpoint detained the Palestinian National Security officer Mahran Zakarneh and released him at 13:40 following DCO intervention.
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) The Israeli army continues to prevent civilian access to an area that is located in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> 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. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 01:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on An Nashash area junction (the southern entrance to the city of Bethlehem) and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:30, 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. (ii) At 20:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Husan. (iii) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Al Khadr. • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 13:00, a mass demonstration with the participation of international peace activists (on the occasion of a Palm Sunday) took place in the city of Bethlehem in protest at preventing Christian civilians from celebrating the rituals of a Palm Sunday in the city of Jerusalem, against the Wall and demanding freedom of movement and worshipping. When the demonstration reached the periphery of Bilal Bin Rabah mosque (Al Qubba) north of the city, the Israeli army arrested 9 civilians, including a Fateh Central Committee member who was taken to the interrogation and detention center at Ofer Military Camp. The Israeli army also detained a number of demonstrators, including 5 activists, and released them at a later time. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested the following 9 civilians in the periphery of Bilal Bin Rabah (Al Qubba) mosque: Abbas Zaki, member of Fateh Central Committee; Fadi Hamad; Hasan Breijiyeh; Mahmoud Zawahrah; Mahmoud Al Hubani; Ahmad Al Azzah; Marwan Fararjeh; Ibrahim Salah; and Tony Shahwan.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ol 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: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (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: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint in the area between the towns of Tarqumiya and Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 11:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass leading to Halhul town and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 22:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On 27 March 2010, the Israeli army raided the village of 'Abda, searched a house and served summon to the Palestinian National Security officer Mahmoud Tawfiq Dudeen to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 08:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron. (iii) At 22:30, the Israeli army raided Al Arrub refugee camp, opened fire indiscriminately and fired light flares in the sky above the refugee camp (under the pretext of throwing a Molotov cocktail bottle towards a military observation tower opposite the refugee camp), searched a number of houses after detaining their residents in open air and withdrew at 01:00. • Detention: At 12:00, the Israeli army detained near Al Ibrahimiyeh School in the old city of Hebron 13-year-old child Faisal Abu Dawoud and released him at 19:20 following DCO intervention. • 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 raiding Palestinian territory and opening fire intensively in Central Gaza district. In addition to finding the body of an armed Palestinian individual east of Abasan As Saghirah village in Khan Yunis district.
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.
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"> • Raid: In the evening of 28 March 2010, the Israeli army, including a number of tanks, armored vehicles and 3 bulldozers covered by reconnaissance aircrafts, raided 200 meters inside Palestinian territory east of Al Maghazi refugee camp, opened fire intensively towards civilian agricultural land and houses and leveled areas of agricultural land.

<p style="text-align: center;">KHAN YOUNIS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Killings:</u> In the evening of 28 March 2010, ambulance crews belonging to the Palestinian Red Crescent Society managed to recover the body of Sulaiman Abdulhakeem Arafat, an armed Palestinian individual, who was missing following the armed clash with the Israeli army during a raid east of Abasan village (as mentioned in the report of 27 March 2010). He is also the brother of Haytham Abdulhakeem Arafat who was killed (as mentioned at the time).
<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"> (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 and cooking gas.