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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 3 November 2003 – 08:00 4 November 2003

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	9	5	14	1 16 years, 3 under 16 years
Physical Assault	5		5	
Attacks	9	13	22	
Raids	17		17	
Air Patrols	2		2	
Arrests (per person)	5		5	
Detentions	2		2	> 200 pilgrims from Mecca
Destruction of Property	6	1	7^1	
Confiscation of Property	3		3	House Occupation
Curfews	6		6	
Checkpoints	All	_	All	
Flying Checkpoints	10	_	10	
Closures (per District)	12	_	12	Incl. north Jordan Valley area
Closure of Main Roads	All	(3)	All	
Closure of Gates	All	_	All	
Closure of Crossing Points	_	2	2	1 Not open full-time
Ambulance Obstruction	1		1	
Settler Violence	2		2	
TOTAL	89	21	110	

¹ Including 1 house demolished, 1 store burnt and 1 car destroyed.

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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	 <u>Separation Wall Construction</u>: Israeli authorities continue construction of the separation wall in Al Sawahira, Abu Dis and Al Eizariya areas. <u>Attack on School</u>: The Israeli army raided the school of Abu Dis and physically assaulted several students. <u>Arrest</u>: The Israeli army arrested Muhammad Al Qaryuti, a 24 year old student from Jerusalem University, while following Israeli army orders to report to Israeli Intelligence at Ofar military base. 	
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closures: Ramallah and El Bireh remain closed areas. At 12:15, the Israeli army lifted the closure on the village of Mazari' an Nubani for residents to obtain food supplies. Raids: At 14:50, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the village of Kafr 'Ein and Deir Ghassana. At 18:40, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the village of Kafr 'Ein. At 20:15, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the villages of Beit Rima and Deir Ghassana, and withdrew at 21:35. The Israeli army, reinforced by 20 jeeps, raided the village of Al Mughayyir, opened random and heavy fire and fired sound bombs. Israeli soldiers destroyed the contents of the houses and spoiled all food supplies of Saleh and Mahmoud Abu Alya, both of whom they beat severely. The Israeli army raided the city of El Bireh, where they raided and searched several houses in Al Sharafa neighborhood. Detention: The Israeli army detained several civilians and held their vehicles for several hours. 	
JENIN	 Closure: Jenin remains a closed military area. Separation Wall Closure: The Israeli army closed the gate in the northern valley, and the gates near Al Tayasir as well as Bardala, Kardala, and 'Ein al Beida. Raids: At 13:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Saris and provoked confrontations that resulted in the injury of 2civilians. Injuries: The Israeli army injured 2 civilians in the village of Saris: Ashraf Awwad, 16 years old, who was shot in the leg; and 	

	(ii) Muhammad Faqha, 15 years old, who was shot in the stomach and the leg.
JERICHO	<u>Closure</u> : The city of Jericho is a closed military area. Civilians with Jerusalem ID's are not allowed into Jericho.
BETHLEHEM	 <u>Closure</u>: Bethlehem is a closed military area. <u>Checkpoint</u>: At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the triangle of the village of Beit Sahur.
TULKAREM	 Closure: The city of Tulkarem remains a closed military area. Separation Wall Closures: All gates along the separation wall have been closed for the past 2 days for civilians, including those granted special permits. The village of Khirbet Jubara (located behind the separation wall) is sealed off. The residents are not allowed out of the village. 80 students continue to be unable to reach their schools located outside the village. Checkpoints: At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road of Kafr Ra'i and Seida. The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints near the villages of Baqa ash Sharqiya, Al Ras, Kafr Sur, Kafr Jammal, near the junction of Al Jarushiya and at the entrance of Deir Ghusun. Curfews: At 08:40, the Israeli army imposed curfew over the village of al Jarushiya. At 08:40, the Israeli army imposed curfew over the village of Kafr Jammal. At 11:10, the Israeli army imposed curfew on the villages of Irtah and Far'un. The Israeli army continues to impose curfew on the city of Tulkarem and its refugee camp. Raids: Since 08:30, Israeli jeeps have patrolled the city of Tulkarem and its refugee camp, where they imposed curfew and opened fire randomly, and searched the city market and the area of mechanics garages. At 10:30, the Israeli army, reinforced by 2 tanks, raided the village of Illar and the town of Kafr Ra'i. Attacks: At 07:35, Israeli army jeeps took positions in the center and eastern parts of the city and fired sound bombs at civilians. At 19:00, the Israeli army opened fire at Dewar Al Salam and fired sound bombs near the Tulkarem municipality building.

- (iv) Since 05:00, Israeli jeeps patrolling the neighborhoods and the Tulkarem refugee camp have opened fire randomly.
- <u>Injuries</u>: At 09:20, the Israeli army injured 2 children in the city as a result of opening fire in inhabited civilian areas.
- (i) Rahbal Abu Hashish, 11 years old, was shot in the arm; and
- (ii) Islam Hadid, 9 years old, was hit by shrapnel in the arm.
- Physical Assaults:
- (i) At 07:30, Israeli jeeps positioned in the center of the city physically assaulted students who defied the curfew to go to their schools.
- (ii) At 10:00, Israeli soldiers severely beat Amjad Abu Saqafa, a 22 year old civilian, who required hospitalization as a result.
- (iii) At 16:15, the Israeli soldiers at the checkpoint on Beit Lid junction verbally and physically assaulted civilians and detained their vehicles for long hours.
- Air Patrols:
- (i) At 09:10, Israeli military aircraft patrolled over Tulkarem city at low altitude.
- (ii) At 11:00, Israeli military aircraft patrolled over Tulkarem city.
- <u>Destruction of Property</u>: The Israeli army destroyed the vehicle of Muhammad Fayiz Al Ashqar.
- <u>Confiscation of Property</u>: The Israeli army occupied "Al Safa" building, located in the center of Far'un village, turning it into a military post.
- <u>Arrests</u>: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians, including a father and his son, from Tulkarem:
- (i) Abdil Latif Arif, 60 years old; and his son,
- (ii) Amir Abdil Latif Arif, 18 years old; and
- (iii) Farid Kalbuni, 35 years old.

NABLUS

- Closure: Nablus remains a closed military area.
- Raid: At 07:00, the Israeli army, reinforced by a bulldozer, a tank and 2 jeeps, coming from the direction of Al Maslakh, raided the center of Balata refugee camp and closed the eastern entrance to the camp.
- Confiscation of Property:
- (i) At 03:00, the Israeli army occupied "Al Mutawe'" building, where they installed military equipment.
- (ii) At 08:45, the Israeli army raided and occupied the 2-storey house of Al Faqih in Al Dahiya, vacated the residents and turned it into an Israeli military post.
- <u>Destruction of Property</u>: The Israeli army fired a shell which exploded in an electrical instrument warehouse in Balata refugee camp setting it on fire, and breaking the window of an adjacent mosque.
- <u>Detention</u>: The Israeli army located at Huwwara and Za'tara checkpoints detained around 200 civilians returning to their homes from Saudi Arabia where they performed "Al Omra". The group of civilians was detained until after the hour for breaking the Ramadan fast.

	 <u>Israeli Restrictions</u>: Israeli soldiers at Huwwara checkpoint prevented an ambulance, transferring a cancer patient to a hospital, from passing through the checkpoint. <u>Attack</u>: The Israeli army opened fire at civilian vehicles attempting to take dirt secondary roads near Zawata in order to reach Nablus. <u>Settler Violence</u>: Israeli settlers from the settlement of Yizhar threw stones at a group of civilians in the town of Huwwara, south Nablus city, wounding 3.
HEBRON	 <u>Closures</u>: H1 and H2 areas remain closed military areas. <u>Assault</u>: Israeli soldiers beat a number of civilians near the entrance of Tarqumiya. <u>Settler Violence</u>: Israeli settlers from the settlement of Otni'el, near Al Samoa, with the participation of Israeli border guards, violently attacked foreign peace activists picking olives on land near the settlement.
QALQILYA	 <u>Curfew</u>: At 09:45, the Israeli army imposed curfew over the village of Azun and lifted it at 14:50. <u>Arrest</u>: At 20:35, the Israeli army arrested Tariq Hasayin at the DCO checkpoint of Qalqilya. Israeli authorities claim he turned himself in as he is wanted by them. <u>House Demolition</u>: The Israeli army demolished the house of Nimer Adwan, located in the city of Qalqilya.
SALFIT	 Closure: The city of Salfit is a closed military area. Checkpoints: At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the Qarawat Bani Zeid/Mazari' an Nubani road. At 11:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the villages of Jamma'in and Zeita, where they stopped the flow of traffic. Raid: At 13:30, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the village of Kifl Haris. Destruction of Property: The Israeli army leveled the garden of a house in the village of Mas-ha, despite the fact that it is located behind the separation wall.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN	
GAZA	• <u>Closure</u> : 8701 workers carrying Israeli permits were allowed into Israel, 3822

	 workers were allowed into the Erez industrial zone, and 350 workers were admitted to obtain magnetic ID cards. Raid: At 19:20, the Israeli army, reinforced by 2 tanks, raided the area of Abu Safiya in Jabaliya and took position near a former Palestinian National Security location. Attack: At 20:00, the Israeli army opened fire at a Palestinian security location north of Beit Lahia.
GAZA CITY	 Closures: Al Shuhada' junction (Nitsareem) remains closed. Attacks: At 15:45, the Israeli army opened fire from a tank near "Abu Khusa" building towards the north and west. At 22:40, the Israeli army opened fire from the settlement of Nitsareem towards the south.
CENTRAL GAZA	• <u>Destruction of Property</u> : At 23:40, an Israeli bulldozer and 2 jeeps from the settlement of Kfar Daroom entered 250 meters into Palestinian territory towards Abu 'Urif Street and demolished concrete fences surrounding private property in that area.
KHAN YUNIS	 Closure: Abu Ajin road and the western road remain closed. Attacks: At 10:40, the Israeli army opened fire in the area of Abu Ajin, where they injured a civilian. At 16:45, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 5 towards civilian houses. At 00:30 and at 03:15, for no apparent reason the Israeli army opened heavy fire from Points 8, 9, and 10 towards civilian houses in Al Amal neighborhood, the western neighborhood and at Al Tuffah checkpoint. At 01:00, several Israeli APC's took position at Point 188, east of Khuza'a, where they opened fire in the area. At 01:15, the Israeli army opened fire repeatedly and heavily from Point 9 towards civilian houses. Injury: While firing in the Abu Ajin area the Israeli army injured Khaled Qasim.
RAFAH	 Closures: 47 workers in addition to 3 business men were allowed past the Sufa crossing point into Israeli. The Gaza International Airport remains closed. The Rafah crossing point is only partially open.

• Attacks:

- (i) At 14:00, the Israeli army opened fire from Tel Sultan checkpoint at a vehicle traveling on the main street, injuring 2 civilians including a baby.
- (ii) At 19:00, the Israeli army opened fire from Tel Sultan checkpoint towards the east, injuring 2 civilians including a child.
- (iii) At 00:30, the Israeli army opened heavy fire from the Sufa crossing towards the west.

• <u>Injuries</u>:

The Israelis injured 2 civilians in their vehicle in Rafah:

- (i) Ahmad Abu Shamala, 3 years old, was shot in the leg; and
- (ii) Muhammad Abu Muhesin.

The Israelis injured 2 civilians when they fired from Tel Sultan checkpoint towards the east:

- (iii) Muhammad Klub, 11 years old; and
- (iv) Mustafa Abu Shaluf.