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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 04 February 2006 – 08:00 05 February 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Assassinations	_	3	3	During an air attack on Gaza city
Physical Assault	1	_	1	1 civilian severely beaten in Nablus
Injuries	1	5	6	Incl. 1 civilian in critical condition
Air Attacks	_	5	5	5 missiles on N. Gaza and Gaza
Attacks	2	4	6	Incl. 3 from posts & 1 by naval boats
Raids	17	_	17	Incl. 5 in Bethlehem & 4 in Hebron
Air Patrols	_	5	5	F16 aircrafts over N. Gaza & Gaza
Arrests	19	_	19	Incl. 4 children & 1 university student
Detentions	15	_	15	Incl. 6 Palestinian Police officers
Wall Construction	28	_	28	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	_	2	2	1 club and 1 vehicle destroyed, Gaza
Land Confiscation	2	_	2	Incl. 279 dunums in Qalqiliya
House Occupation	1	_	1	Converted into a mil. post in Hebron
Flying Checkpoints	15	_	15	Incl. 4 in Tulkarem & 3 in Qalqiliya
Closure (per District)	7	1	8	Incl. the city of Jerusalem partially
Closure of Main Roads	17	_	17	Incl. eastern entrance to 'Azzun town
Closure of Crossing Points	_	5	5	Incl. Beit Hanun & Rafah partially
Settler Violence	1		1	Children stoned near Ma'on, Hebron
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2	2	4	Incl. 2 officers denied access, Nablus
TOTAL	128	32	160	

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JERUSALEM	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and has set up checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound. Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to Dahiyat Bir Nabala northwest of the city of Jerusalem with cement blocks. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Qalandiya and Beit Iksa checkpoints and to impede civilian access. Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, near Al Quds University, in the town of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, around the settlement of Ma'ale Adumim, and west of the village of Al Jib. Flving Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to 'Atarot Industrial Zone in Dahiyat ar Ram and searched civilian vehicles. Raid: The Israeli army raided Qalandiya refugee camp, searched a number of houses, and arrested 4 civilians. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in Qalandiya refugee camp: Mohammed Sami Mteir; Mohammed Yousef Mteir; Mohammed Abed Fares Zayed; and Ahmed Fahmi Taha. Land Confiscation: The Israeli army issued Military Order # T/17/06 to confiscated 8 6 dunums (2.15 acres) of land belonging to the village of Kafr
	• Land Confiscation: The Israeli army Issued Military Order # 1/1//06 to confiscated 8.6 dunums (2.15 acres) of land belonging to the village of Kafr 'Aqab for construction of a military surveillance point.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil with dirt barricades. Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in the areas of Al Midya to Budrus, Al Midya to Ni'lin, Bil'in to Saffa, in the village of Beit Liqya, in the town of Beituniya, and west of the town of 'Abud. Flying Checkpoint: At 14:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Deir Ibzi', searched civilians and vehicles, and impeded civilian access. Raids: At 20:55, and again at 02:10, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of El Bireh. The Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beituniya.

JENIN	 <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas and to impede civilian access. <u>Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
TULKAREM	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to impose a complete closure on the district of Tulkarem and to declare it a closed military zone following a suicide attack carried out on the junction to the village of Far'un. The Israeli army continues to impede civilian access to and from the district. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up near the settlement of 'Einav on the road connecting the districts of Tulkarem and Nablus and to impede civilian access. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint south of the city of Tulkarem and to impede civilian access. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Flving Checkpoints: At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Bal'a and searched civilians and vehicles. At 14:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of 'Illar and Kafr Ra'i and searched civilians and vehicles. At 15:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al Jarushiya and searched civilians and vehicles. At 17:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of 'Illar and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 18:20, the Israeli army, including 5 armoured vehicles, raided the forested area in the vicinity of the town of Bal'a and withdrew at a later time.
QALQILIYA	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the town of 'Azzun with dirt barricades. The Israeli army continues to close the unpaved detour road connecting the town of 'Azzun to the village of 'Izbat at Tabib with dirt barricades. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector. Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction was resumed in the village of Immatin and east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. Flying Checkpoints: At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and arrested 1 civilian. At 14:40, the

- Israeli army set up another flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles until 15:50.
- (ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun and searched civilians and vehicles.
- <u>Arrest</u>: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya arrested Mu'ayyad Suheil 'Adwan.
- Land Confiscation: The Israeli army issued Military Order # T/15/06 to confiscated 279 *dunums* (69.75 acres) of land belonging to the towns of 'Azzun and Deir Istiya and the villages of Hajja and Kafr Laqif for construction of the Wall north and east of the settlement of Karnei Shomron.
- Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the main road leading to the district of Jenin between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron. Instead, the Israeli army has forced civilians to travel along an unpaved 1.5-km-long road, which branches off from the Nablus-Tulkarem road and intersects with the Nablus-Jenin road opposite the village of Sabastiya.

• Checkpoints:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing Huwwara, Beit Iba, At Tur Mountain, and Beit Furik checkpoints around the city of Nablus. The Israeli army closes the checkpoints overnight and reopens them at various morning hours.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of Beit Furik and to deny access to civilians between 15 and 30 years of age.
- (iii) At 15:15, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Beit Iba checkpoint and denied civilian access until 16:00.

• Flying Checkpoints/Detention/Physical Assault:

- (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the settlement of Yitzhar, searched civilian vehicles, and detained 6 Palestinian Police officers.
- (ii) At 17:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Badhan road east of the city of Nablus and denied civilian access in both directions. Confrontations took place between Israeli troops and civilians waiting on both sides of the checkpoint to cross, during which the Israeli troops injured 1 university student and then arrested him
- (iii) At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya and the village of Talluza, searched civilian vehicles, and severely beat Nayef Mohammed Thaher.

• Raids:

- (i) At 15:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Qusin.
- (ii) At 03:05, the Israeli army, including 8 jeeps, raided 'Askar refugee camp and arrested 2 civilians.
- (iii) The Israeli army raided the town of Beit Furik and arrested 2 civilians.

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Arrests/Detention: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on Al Badhan (i) road arrested Abdallah Mohammed Bani 'Odeh, an injured university student. At 20:15, Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on Al (ii) Badhan road east of the city of Nablus searched a taxi and arrested 3 unidentified civilians, allegedly for locating an explosive belt in the taxi. Israeli troops also detained 2 civilians, including the taxi driver, and released them at a later time. The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in 'Askar refugee camp: Sameh as Seirafi; and (iii) (iv) Nour ash Shalabi. The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Beit Furik: Mousa Hanani; and (vi) Nidhal Fawwaz Hanani. Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested Majdi Rateb (vii) ad Dik. **Provocation of Palestinian Forces:** At 15:00, Israeli troops positioned at a checkpoint set up near the settlement of Shavei Shomron detained and denied access to 2 Palestinian officers despite prior coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO) to allow them to cross to the city of Jenin. Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the main northwestern entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades. The road has been closed since the beginning of the current *Intifada* (Uprising). **Checkpoints:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close Deir Ballut checkpoint overnight and open it at various morning hours, impeding civilian access. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara (ii) junction checkpoint and to impede civilian access. **SALFIT** Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed near the Green Line in the town of Deir Ballut and the villages of Az Zawiya and Rafat, northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari'el. Flying Checkpoint: At 13:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Yasuf and searched civilians and vehicles until Arrest: At 17:40, Israeli troops positioned at the Za'tara junction checkpoint arrested Abdul Rahman Mousa Mar'i, 17 years old. Closure: Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja is closed with cement blocks. The Israeli army prevents farmers not holding **JERICHO** Jericho ID cards from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also sporadically impedes civilian movement into the city of Jericho, except for Jerusalem and Jericho ID holders.

	 Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint on the road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus, impeding civilian access. Flying Checkpoints: At 09:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja on Al Mu'arrajat road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access. At 14:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the settlement of Vered Yericho and searched civilians and vehicles.
BETHLEHEM	 Closure: 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. The Israeli army considers the civilians' residence in the village illegal because they hold West Bank identity cards while their village is located within the Israeli-defined municipal boundaries of Jerusalem. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close all roads to Road # 60 leading to the city of Jerusalem, thereby isolating the city of Bethlehem from its towns and villages located west of Road # 60. Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed north of 'Ayda refugee camp towards the area north of the city of Beit Jala and in the Everest area, northwest of the city of Beit Jala. Raids: At 11:20, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Al 'Ubeidiya. At 17:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Khadr and arrested 3 children. At 17:30, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided 'Ayda refugee camp. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army, while it was patrolling the area. At 17:45, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. At 24:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Bethlehem and 'Ayda refugee camp and patrolled the area until 00:30. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 children in the town of Al Khadr: Ibrahim Jibreel Ghneim, 17 years old; Nael Khader Salah, 15 years old; and Mahmoud Mohammed al Hreimi, 17 years old.
HEBRON	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and barbed wire Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh and with an iron gate the old gold market, all in the H2 section of the city of Hebron, denying access to civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army continues to implement a military order to close civilian commercial shops on both sides of the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of

- Hebron from 06 November 2005 until 07 May 2006. Civilian vehicles are prohibited from travelling along the road unless they possess access permits. Only Israeli settler vehicles are allowed unrestricted access on the road.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with a dirt barricade the area of Khuzq al Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino in the old city of Hebron, in addition to the iron gate that has been set up in the area.
- (iv) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the area of Al Khan in the old city of Hebron with an electronic gate, isolating the area from Al Laban Market and the area of As Sahleh.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrances to the area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul, the village of 'Arab ar Ramadin, and the area of Al Fahs south of the city of Hebron. The Israeli army has also continued to close with dirt barricades the junction to the area of Farsh al Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron and the entrance to the town of Idhna.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close all entrances to Al 'Arrub refugee camp with cement blocks.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was resumed west of the town of Surif to Beit Ula, in the town of Idhna, from the village of Deir Samit to the village of Beit 'Awwa, from Beit 'Awwa to the village of Al Burj, and south of the towns of Adh Dhahiriya and As Samoa'.

• Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:

- (i) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and took position near 1 Palestinian National Security patrol, while it was guarding the offices of the Temporary International Presence in Hebron (TIPH). At 14:15, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- (ii) At 18:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Bani Na'im, arrested 1 civilian, and withdrew at 22:00.
- (iii) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Turrama, searched 1 house, and withdrew at 21:00.
- (iv) The Israeli army raided the town of Surif and searched a number of houses.
- <u>Arrest</u>: The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Mahmoud al Khdhour in the town of Bani Na'im.
- House Occupation: The Israeli army continues to implement Military Order #T/02/05 to seize control of the roof of 1 house in the city of Hebron and to use it as a military point from 29 December 2005 until 11 February 2006.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: A group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Ma'on southeast of the town of Yatta threw stones at a number of children returning home in the village of Tuba.

GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS

• Beginning on 16 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure on the Gaza Strip, ostensibly due to Palestinian individuals' firing of mortars towards the Green Line. The Israeli army has prevented civilians from crossing the Green Line, only allowing access to 4,300 workers.

NORTHERN GAZA

- <u>Closure</u>: Beginning at 18:00 on 28 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a buffer zone (through artillery and air attacks) in the area near the Green Line, including the areas of evacuated settlements, in the district of Northern Gaza. Prior to imposing the buffer zone, Israeli army combat aircrafts dropped flyers warning that civilians would put their lives in danger if they enter the designated area.
- <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases only.
- Air Attacks:
- (i) At 02:20, an Israeli army F16 combat aircraft fired 1 missile towards the entrance to the town of Beit Hanun, but it did not explode.
- (ii) At 03:10, an Israeli army F16 combat aircraft fired 1 missile towards an uninhabited area north of the town of Beit Lahiya.
- (iii) At 03:30, an Israeli army F16 combat aircraft fired 1 missile towards an uninhabited area near the town of Beit Hanun.
- (iv) At 03:30, an Israeli army F16 combat aircraft fired 1 missile towards an uninhabited area north of the town of Beit Lahiya.
- Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:
- (i) At 09:45, the Israeli army fired 1 artillery shell from its location inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory near 1 Palestinian National Security location north of the town of Beit Lahiya.
- (ii) At 10:00, the Israeli army fired 2 artillery shells from its location inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory north of the town of Beit Hanun.

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- <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed.
- Air Attack/Destruction of Property: At 00:55, an Israeli army F16 combat aircraft fired 1 missile towards and destroyed the Social Club, belonging to the Palestinian National Liberation Movement (Fateh), in the area of Tall al Hawa in Gaza city. Civilians, who were present in the club, fled. While they were fleeing in a civilian vehicle, the Israeli army F16 combat aircraft fired another missile towards the vehicle, extra-judicially killing 3 civilians and injuring 5 others, including Rami ash Sheikh Khalil who sustained critical injuries in the head. The air attack also resulted in the destruction of the vehicle.
- Assassinations: The Israeli army extra-judicially killed 3 civilians in Gaza city:

	(i) Hani al Qayedh;
	(ii) Yaseen Barghout; and
	(iii) Nasser Marshoud.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	Activities not reported.
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah Crossing is partially open in both directions to passengers holding Palestinian IDs, humanitarian cases, and Arab and foreign diplomatic missions. Sufa Crossing is closed. Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 14:15, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 210 on the Green Line towards a number of shepherds south of Sufa Crossing. At 18:35, Israeli naval boats opened fire towards 1 Palestinian National Security location in the area of As Suweidiya at the beach of the city of Rafah.

GENERAL

WORK PERMITS	 West Bank: The Israeli authorities renewed 4,712 work permits for crossing the Green Line. However, the number of permit-holding workers who were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line is unknown. Gaza Strip: The Israeli authorities renewed 5,167 work permits for crossing the Green Line. However, only 4,300 workers (approximately 82% of those possessing work permits) were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line.
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