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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 05 February 2006 - 08:00 06 February 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Assassinations	_	2	2	During an air attack on Gaza city
Physical Assault	1	_	1	1 civilian severely beaten in Nablus
Injury	1	_	1	1 child in the district of Jenin
Air Attack		1	1	1 missile by an F16 aircraft, Gaza city
Attacks	1	14	15	Incl. 1 in a raid & 13 from mil. posts
Raids	17	_	17	Incl. 3 in Ramallah & 3 in Nablus
Air Patrols	1	1	2	Over Tulkarem and Gaza cities
Arrests	10	_	10	Incl. 1 child and 1 Pal. Police officer
Detentions	15	_	15	Incl. civilians used as human shields
House Demolition	*	_	_	* A notice to demolish 1 house, Jenin
Wall Construction	28	_	28	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	3	1	4	Incl. solid wastes dumped in Battir
House Occupation	1	_	1	Converted into a mil. post in Hebron
Flying Checkpoints	14	_	14	Incl. 2 in Jericho & 4 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	7	1	8	Incl. the city of Jerusalem partially
Closure of Main Roads	19	_	19	Incl. entrances to Kafr Dan village
Closure of Crossing Points	_	3	3	Incl. Beit Hanun & Rafah partially
Settler Violence	2	_	2	Houses stoned & students pursued
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2	5	7	Incl. shelling near Pal. post, N. Gaza
TOTAL	122	28	150	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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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 continues 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.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Raid: The Israeli army raided Dahiyat Al Aqbat in the city of Jerusalem and searched a number of houses. 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 continues 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: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on 'Uyun al Haramiya junction on the Ramallah-Nablus main road and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 09:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Ramallah and patrolled the area.
JENIN	 (ii) At 03:20, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Beituniya. (iii) The Israeli army raided the town of Silwad and searched a number of houses. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas and to impede civilian access. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.

	 Flying Checkpoint: At 00:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near As Sa'ada forest on Haifa road, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access. Raids/Detention/Closure of Main Roads/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 20:00, the Israeli army, including 20 jeeps and 2 bulldozers, raided the village of Kafr Dan, opened fire, and fired tear gas grenades, injuring 1 child. The Israeli army also searched a number of houses after detaining residents outside, arrested 2 civilians, set up checkpoints on the main road to the village, and prevented civilians from travelling along the road. Additionally, the Israeli army closed the entrances to the village with dirt barricades. The Israeli army remains positioned in the village as of 08:00 this morning. At 00:20, the Israeli army raided the neighbourhood of Al Jabiriyat in the city of Jenin and demanded that 2 Palestinian Police officers guarding a telecommunications transmitter evacuate the area. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of Kafr Dan: Ahmed Khaled ad Dusouqi; and Bilal Mustafa 'Aabed. House Demolition: The Israeli army delivered a notice to demolish 1 house belonging to Abdul Raheem Bsharat in the area of Al Hadidiya east of Al Dusou's action of the Number of the Number Leden Village.
	 Buqei'a plain in the area of the Northern Jordan Valley. Destruction of Property: The Israeli army destroyed agricultural crops as a result of conducting military training near the village of Bardala in the Northern Jordan Valley area.
	 <u>Closure</u>: 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. <u>Closure of Main Road</u>: The Israeli army closed the road connecting the town of Bal'a to Dahiyat Iktaba with dirt barricades.
TULKAREM	 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. Air Patrol: At 24:00, an Israeli army reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over the city of Tulkarem until 03:00.
QALQILIYA	 Closure of Main Roads: (i) The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the town of 'Azzun with dirt barricades. (ii) 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 (i) Israeli permits.
- The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma (ii) Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.
- Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the village of Immatin and east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun.
- 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.
- The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint (ii) set up at the entrance to the town of Beit Furik and to deny access to civilians between 15 and 30 years of age.
- At 13:30, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Huwwara (iii) checkpoint and impeded civilian access.
- Flying Checkpoint/Physical Assault: At 12:30, 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, claiming to be defusing a suspicious object. Israeli troops at the checkpoint also severely beat Ramzi Ibrahim Abu Salameh, after which he was transported to hospital for treatment of injuries sustained.

Raids/Detention:

- At 23:10, Israeli Special Forces raided and patrolled 'Askar refugee (i)
- At 02:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and Balata refugee (ii) camp, detained a number of civilians, and used them as human shields while surrounding and searching 1 building on Al Quds Street adjacent to Balata refugee camp. The Israeli army also arrested 1 civilian and withdrew at 05:30.

Arrests:

- At 03:05 on 05 February 2006, the Israeli army arrested Tamer Qandeel (i) during its raid on 'Askar refugee camp.
- (ii) At 10:35, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested 15year-old Mohammed Oasem al Kharraz, claiming that he was in possession of a knife.
- The Israeli army arrested Ala' Faraj ash Shanteer in Balata refugee (iii) camp.

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SALFIT	 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 <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising). Checkpoints: 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 junction checkpoint and to impede civilian access. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues 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 Checkpoints: At 18:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Deir Istiya and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of Kafr ad Dik and Bruqin and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Kafr Ad Dik and patrolled the area until 22:50. Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of Deir Ballut arrested Isma'il Fareed Mustafa.
JERICHO	 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 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 13:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of 'Ein ad Duyuk and searched civilians and vehicles. At 17:20, 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 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.

• <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues 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:

- (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Al Khadr.
- (ii) At 14:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Beit Jala until 14:30
- (iii) At 23:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army also searched 1 house and arrested 1 civilian.
- (iv) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided Al 'Aza refugee camp and arrested 1 civilian.

• Arrests:

- (i) On 02 February 2006, Israeli troops positioned at a checkpoint arrested Mohammed Khalil Taha, a Palestinian Police officer, while he was travelling from the city of Jericho to his house in the city of Bethlehem.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested Bilal Khaled Kleib in the city of Bethlehem.
- (iii) The Israeli army arrested Sami Abdul Hameed al 'Azzah in Al 'Aza refugee camp.

• Destruction of Property:

- (i) The Israeli army pumped liquid wastes from the area behind the Wall through a rain-water drainage pipe, located behind the water station in 'Ayda refugee camp.
- (ii) The Israeli army transported and dumped solid wastes in an unauthorized garbage dump in the vicinity of the village of Battir.

• Closure:

- (i) 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.
- (ii) 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

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- '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.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continues 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'.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 14:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Beit Kahil and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Adh Dhahiriya and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:

- (i) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Khirbet Kurza and arrested 1 civilian.
- (ii) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Adh Dhahiriya.
- (iii) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a checkpoint near Al Muqata'a, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.
- <u>Arrest</u>: The Israeli army arrested Jaser Shihdeh Dodeen in the village of Khirbet Kurza.
- 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 threw stones and empty bottles at civilian houses in the areas of Wadi an Nassara and Wadi al Hssein in the old city of Hebron. Israeli settlers also pursued school students in order to prevent them from travelling along the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque.

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 4,296 workers.

NORTHERN GAZA	 Closure: 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. Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases only. Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army fired 3 artillery shells from Point 88 on the Green Line east of Gaza city towards Palestinian territory north of Gaza city. At 11:15, the Israeli army fired 2 more artillery shells. (ii) At 11:05, the Israeli army fired 2 artillery shells from its location inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory near 1 Palestinian National Security location north of the town of Beit Lahiya. (iii) At 23:40, the Israeli army fired 2 artillery shells from Point 64 on the Green Line east of the town of Jabalya towards Palestinian territory near 1 Palestinian National Security location north of the town of Beit Lahiya. (iv) At 24:00, the Israeli army fired 4 artillery shells from its location inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory in the area between 2 Palestinian National Security locations north of the town of Beit Lahiya. (v) At 01:00, Israeli naval boats opened fire towards Palestinian fishing boats sailing on territorial waters opposite As Sudaniya beach northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya. (vi) At 02:10, the Israeli army fired 2 artillery shells from Point 67 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory near 1 Palestinian National Security location north of the town of Beit Lahiya. (vii) At 03:00, the Israeli army fired 2 artillery shells from Point 68 on the Green Line east of Wadi Gaza towards
GAZA	 Air Attack/Destruction of Property: At 22:00, an Israeli army F16 combat aircraft fired 1 missile towards a civilian vehicle in Az Zaytun neighbourhood in Gaza city, extra-judicially killing 2 civilians and destroying the vehicle. Assassinations: The Israeli army extra-judicially killed 2 civilians in Gaza city: Jihad as Sawafeeri; and 'Adnan Bustan.

CENTRAL GAZA	• <u>Attacks</u> : At 10:00, and again at 15:50, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 125 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of Al Maghazi refugee camp.		
KHAN YUNIS	 Attacks: At 15:30, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 152 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the area of Al Qarara. At 16:15, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 147 on the Green Line towards a number of shepherds east of the area of Al Qarara. 		
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. 		

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<u>Administrative Detention</u> : The Israeli authorities placed 6 political prisoners from the district of Jenin under administrative detention (arrest without charge or trial) for various periods of times.
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 4,296 workers (approximately 83% of those possessing work permits) were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line.