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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

 $08:00\ 14\ February\ 2006-08:00\ 15\ February\ 2006$

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	1	_	1	1 female civilian in Al 'Auja
Physical Assault	1	_	1	1 child severely beaten in Bethlehem
Injuries	2	_	2	Incl. 1 child & 1 Pal. security officer
Attacks	2	4	6	Incl. 45 artillery shells fired
Raids	22	_	22	Incl. 6 in Jenin & 6 in Hebron
Arrests	38	_	38	Incl. 1 mentally challenged civilian
Detentions	14	_	14	Incl. 2 Palestinian security officers
House Demolitions	2	_	2	In Al Mukabbir Mt. & As Sawahira
Wall Construction	29	_	29	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	_	1	1	1 residential flat damaged, N. Gaza
Land Confiscation	1	_	1	9 dunums in the city of Beit Jala
House Occupations	5	_	5	3 in Qabatiya & 2 in Kanar, Hebron
Closure of Checkpoints	3	_	3	Incl. Deir Ballut checkpoint, Salfit
Flying Checkpoints	9	_	9	Incl. 1 in Jerusalem & 2 in Jericho
Closure (per District)	7	1	8	Incl. a buffer zone in Northern Gaza
Closure of Main Roads	20	_	20	Incl. entrances to Idhna & 'Arrub RC
Closure of Crossing Points	_	3	3	Incl. Beit Hanun & Rafah partially
Settler Violence	1	_	1	1 female civilian run over, Jericho
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2	1	3	Incl. shelling near Pal. security posts
Palestinian Attacks		4	4	6 unidentified mortars fired
Pal. Security Measure	1		1	1 illegal concrete mixer handed over
TOTAL	160	14	174	

DISTRICT	EVENT

WEST BANK

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. Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to 'Atarot Industrial Zone in Dahiyat ar Ram and searched civilian vehicles. House Demolitions: The Israeli army demolished 2 houses in the neighbourhood of Al Mukabbir Mountain and the village of As Sawahira in the city of Jerusalem, claiming that they were built without the required licenses. The demolished houses respectively belong to: (i) Naseem Syam; and (ii) Fareed Mohammed Abu adh Dhabyat.
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 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 and the village of Beit Sira. Flving Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Deir Abu Mash'al and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 10:00, and again at 15:55, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the city of El Bireh and arrested 1 civilian suffering from kidney problems. Arrests: On 13 February 2005, the Israeli army arrested 3 civilians, including 2 children, in the village of Qibya: Omar Sabri al Ajrab, 17 years old; Tareq Hassan al Ajrab, 17 years old; and

	(iii) Samer al Beik.
	(iv) The Israeli army arrested Muhannad Ali 'Ayed in the city of El Bireh.
JENIN	 (Iv) The Israeli army arrested Muhannad Ali 'Ayed in the city of El Bireh. Closure of Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the detour road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. 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. Flving Checkpoint: At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the town of Ya'bad, searched civilian vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian. Raids/House Occupations: At 23:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Tayasir and searched a number of houses. At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Dan, searched 1 house, and served a summons to the family of Ibrahim Ahmed 'Aabed, demanding that Ibrahim surrender himself to the Israeli authorities within 3 days or be extra-judicially killed by the Israeli army. The Israeli army claimed that Ibrahim is wanted on security grounds. At 05:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Qabatiya, occupied 3 houses, and converted them into military posts. At 03:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp and arrested 2 civilians, including 1 female civilian. Arrests: Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp: Raja' al Ghoul, a female civilian; and Younes Hasanein. The Israeli army arrested Ahmed Mousa Yaseen in the village of 'Anin.
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. Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the town of Bal'a to Dahiyat Iktaba with dirt barricades. Checkpoints: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the checkpoint set up near the settlement of 'Einav on the road connecting the districts of Tulkarem and Nablus and denied access to civilian vehicles. The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint south of the city of Tulkarem, impeding civilian access. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.

	 Raid/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 20:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem, after demanding (through the DCO) that Palestinian security forces not leave their positions, and arrested 11 civilians. At 05:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 11 civilians in the city of Tulkarem: Ahmed Lutfi Abu Salah; Misleh Saleh Hamdan; Ammar Kamal Manna'; Muntasser Mustafa 'Awadh; Mu'taz Ali Hasan; Ashraf Abdul Fattah Hjazi; Mahdi Amin al Mabrouk; Midhal Tareq al Jayyousi;
	 (ix) Amjad Ribhi Abu Sfaqah; (x) Mohammed As'ad 'Aqel; and (xi) Mustafa Omar 'Odeh.
QALQILIYA	 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 continues in the village of Immatin and east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. Flving Checkpoint: At 07:30 on 14 February 2006, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the northern entrance to the town of 'Azzun and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: On 13 February 2006, the Israeli army raided the village of Habla and arrested 1 civilian. At 02:15 on 14 February 2006, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Jammal and arrested 2 civilians. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested Fadi Shakir 'Odeh in the village of Habla. The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of Kafr Jammal: Shakir Hussein Abdul Rahman; and Mahmoud Ribhi ash Sheikh. Palestinian Security Measure: Palestinian security forces handed over 1 illegal concrete mixer, seized in the city of Qalqiliya, to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
NABLUS	• 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/Detention:

- The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing Huwwara, (i) 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) At 14:40, the Israeli army closed Huwwara checkpoint and denied civilian access, after arresting 1 child allegedly for locating a bag rigged with explosives in his possession. The Israeli army reopened the checkpoint after detonating the bag.
- Flying Checkpoint: At 21:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the villages of Talluza and Al Far'a and searched civilian vehicles.
- Raid: At 04:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and 'Askar refugee camp and arrested 2 civilians.

Arrests:

- At 13:00, Israeli troops positioned at Beit Iba checkpoint arrested (i) Abdul Qader Mohammed Mar'i, a Palestinian National Security officer.
- Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested an (ii) unidentified child.
- At 16:00, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested Jabr (iii) Fat'hi Raja Ziben.

The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the city of Nablus and 'Askar refugee camp:

- (iv) Saleh Farhan Dweikat: and
- Muntasser Mohammed an Nabilsi. (v)

Closure of Main Roads:

- The Israeli army continues to close the main north-western entrance to (i) the city of Salfit with dirt barricades. The road has been closed since the beginning of the current Intifada (Uprising).
- The Israeli army continues to close the western entrances to the town of (ii) Bruqin and the village of Marda with dirt barricades.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik with cement cements.

Checkpoints:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close Deir Ballut checkpoint overnight and open it at various morning hours. The Israeli army also prevents civilians from crossing eastwards towards the town of Kafr ad Dik.
- (ii) 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 Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the towns of Brugin and Kafr ad Dik and searched civilians and vehicles.

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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. Checkpoints: 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. At 09:10, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the DCO checkpoint set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho and impeded civilian access in both directions. Flving Checkpoints: At 09:50, and again at 20:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the settlement of Vered Yericho, searched civilian vehicles, impeded civilian access, and arrested 1 civilian. Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the junction to the settlement of Vered Yericho arrested an unidentified civilian. Detention: At 09:50, Israeli troops positioned at the military surveillance point set up near the settlement of Yitav west of the village of Al 'Auja detained 2 Palestinian National Security officers until 14:00. Settler Violence: At 18:00, an Israeli settler vehicle travelling along Road # 90 in the centre of the village of Al 'Auja ran over and killed 1 female civilian.
BETHLEHEM	 Killing: An Israeli settler vehicle ran over and killed Amal Hammad Dirawi in the village of Al 'Auja. 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 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. Physical Assault: On 13 February 2006, the Israeli army severely beat 14-year-old Ghazi Naji Shousheh near the settlement of Gilo, after which he was transported to hospital for treatment of injuries sustained. Raids: At 11:55, Israeli Special Forces raided the city of Beit Jala, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and opened fire towards 1 taxi, injuring 1 Palestinian National Security officer who was in the taxi. Israeli Special Forces also arrested 2 individuals, including the injured officer, claiming that he is wanted by the Israeli authorities.

- (ii) At 20:50, an Israeli army patrol raided 'Ayda refugee camp and patrolled the area.
- (iii) At 02:00, Israeli army patrols raided the city of Bethlehem and patrolled the area.

• Arrests:

- (i) At 00:45 on 14 February 2006, the Israeli army arrested 'Imad Abdul 'Azeez Abu Hameedeh, a Palestinian National Security officer, during its raid on 'Ayda refugee camp.
- (ii) At 10:20, Israeli troops positioned at Checkpoint # 300 set up on the road connecting the cities of Bethlehem and Jerusalem arrested Amjad Husam Abu Srour, a mentally challenged civilian, claiming that he had attempted to stab an Israeli soldier.

The Israeli army arrested 2 individuals in the city of Beit Jala:

- (iii) Hazem Mis'ed al 'Ijleh, an injured Palestinian National Security officer: and
- (iv) Mohammed Ilyas al Hreimi.
- Land Confiscation: On 29 January 2006, the Israeli army issued Military Order # T/01/06 to confiscate 9 *dunums* (2.25 acres) of land belonging to the city of Beit Jala for improvement of the street located between the tunnels leading to the city of Jerusalem. The order also annulled Military Order # T/57/04, which the Israeli army issued on 23 May 2004.

• 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 area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul, the area of Al Fahs south of the city of Hebron, and the junction to the area of Farsh al Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron. The Israeli army also continues to close with dirt barricades the entrances to the town of Idhna and the village of 'Arab ar Ramadin.

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- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the main entrance 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'.
- Attack: At 09:00, Israeli troops positioned in the area opposite Al 'Arrub refugee camp opened indiscriminate fire towards the main street adjacent to the refugee camp. As a result, Ala' Mohammed Jawabreh, a child, sustained bullet wounds to the face while he was on board a bus.
- Raids/House Occupations/Detention/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:
- (i) On 13 February 2005, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and arrested 4 civilians, including 1 child.
- (ii) At 15:40, the Israeli army raided the area of Kanar in the town of Dura, occupied 1 house belonging to Ma'moun Isma'il ad Darawish, and converted it into a military post after detaining residents in 1 room.
- (iii) At 18:10, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura, occupied 1 house belonging to Yasser Abu Zakham, and converted it into a military post. The occupied house is 30 metres far from the town's Palestinian Police station.
- (iv) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and searched 2 houses.
- (v) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Taffuh and searched 1 house.
- (vi) The Israeli army raided the town of Kharas and arrested 1 civilian.
- <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the city of Hebron:
- (i) Abdallah Mustafa Shahin, 17 years old;
- (ii) Raed Marwan an Natsheh;
- (iii) Bader Yihaya al Qawasmi; and
- (iv) Ahmed Abdul Hameed Abdul Baset.
- (v) At 12:30, the Israeli army arrested Shihdeh Waleed Amr in the old city of Hebron, claiming that he was in possession of a knife.
- (vi) The Israeli army arrested Yousef Abul Hadi Abu Basmeh in the town of Kharas.

GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS

• The Israeli army partially eased the closure it has imposed on the Gaza Strip since 16 December 2005, ostensibly due to Palestinian individuals' firing of mortars towards the Green Line. The Israeli army allowed 3,426 workers and 198 merchants to cross the Green Line. Additionally, the Israeli army allowed civilians holding special permits to enter and exit the Gaza Strip.

NORTHERN GAZA	 Closure: Beginning at 18:00 on 28 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a buffer zone (through open fire as well as artillery and air attacks) in the area near the Green Line, including the area of the debris of evacuated settlements, in the district of Northern Gaza. The Israeli army has also warned 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, civilians holding special permits, and humanitarian cases. Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces/Destruction of Property: At 08:55, the Israeli army fired 3 artillery shells from its location inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory west of An Nada towers north of the town of Beit Lahiya. Between 09:00 and 18:15, the Israeli army fired 42 artillery shells from Point 64 on the Green Line east of the town of Jabalya towards Palestinian territory near Palestinian National Security locations. Of these, 1 artillery shell hit an uninhabited residential flat in Al 'Awdah towers north of the town of Beit Lahiya. Palestinian Attacks: At 10:40, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. At 18:00, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. At 18:00, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. At 00:05, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. 	
GAZA	 Attacks: (i) At 08:50, the Israeli army fired 1 sound mortar from Point 85 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory southeast of Gaza city. (ii) At 16:00, the Israeli army fired several artillery shells from its location inside the Green Line towards a vacant land in the area surrounding Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing. 	
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. 	

GENERAL

WORK PERMITS	 West Bank: The Israeli authorities renewed 6,894 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 3,426 workers (approximately 66% of those possessing work permits) were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line.