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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 15 January 2004 – 08:00 16 January 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	_	1	
Injuries	1	1	2	15 yr. old child & 64 yr. old
Incursion	1	_	1	Tulkarem refugee camp
Attacks	6	3	9	Incl. cont. attacks in Tulk. r.c.
Raids	15	1	16	
Air Patrols	4	1	5	
Arrests (per person)	20	_	20	Incl. 5 officers
Detentions	3	_	3	10s of civilians at checkpoints
House Demolitions	2	8	10	Tulk. r.c. & Rafah r.c.
Land Leveling	_	1	1	
Separation Wall Const.	3	_	3	Jerusalem, Jenin & Ramallah
Destruction of Property	3	_	3	Incl. mosque, daycare & home
Chemical Destruction	1	_	1	1,000 dunums of cropland
Curfews	2		2	Tulkarem refugee camp
Checkpoints	All		All	
Flying Checkpoints	4	_	4	
Closures (per District)	9	_	9	
Closure of Main Roads	Most	(4)	Most	
Closure of Wall Gates	All		All	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points		4	4	
Religious Sites	2		2	
TOTAL	77	19	96	

DISTRICT EVENT

WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	 Closure: The city of Jerusalem remains closed to residents from other districts. The Israeli authorities intensified restrictions on movement inside the city, closed all checkpoints and detained dozens of civilians in East Jerusalem. Separation Wall Construction: Construction of the separation wall continues in Al Eizariya and Al Sawahira.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure: The Israeli army sealed off the villages of Kafr Ni'ma, Rad Karkar, Deir Ammar, and Al Janiya, west of Ramallah city, with dirt mounds. Separation Wall Construction: Construction of the western portion of the separation wall continues in Budrus and Rantis. Raids: (i) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Budrus, searched the homes of 2 brothers and then arrested the 2 civilians because of their continued participation in demonstrations against construction of the separation wall. (ii) The Israeli army raided the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid and searched 1 house. (iii) The Israeli army raided the town of Silwad, searched 1 house and arrested 1 civilian. (iv) The Israeli army raided the town of Betuniya and searched 1 mosque. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 brothers in the village of Budrus: (i) Ayed Ahmad Marar; and (ii) Naem Ahmad Marar. The Israeli army arrested 1 college student in the town of Silwad: (iii) Muath Mash'al, 20 years old.
JENIN	 Closure: At 17:05, the Israeli army closed the city of Jenin, surrounded it and prevented civilians from entering or leaving until 24:00. Separation Wall Gates: Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits which are based on no specific criteria. The closure continues to negatively impact economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.

	• <u>Separation Wall Construction/Land Leveling</u> : Israeli authorities continue to level land north of the village of Bardala, east of the village of 'Ein al Beida, near the villages of Al Mutilla and Raba on the Nablus mountain range, and on Al Buqe'a plateau east of Tubas for construction of the separation wall.	
JERICHO	• Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Rakiz Yusif Fallah, Palestinian National Security officer, at the southern checkpoint.	
BETHLEHEM	 Closure: The Israeli army closed the Jerusalem/Bethlehem road. The Israeli army closed the Beit Jala/Al Walaja road with dirt and rock mounds. The Israeli army opened the southern entrance to the city as well as the road of Al Khadr/Beit Jala to pedestrians only. Detention: The Israeli army detained 9 civilians, including the head of the village council, as they attempted to open the Beit Jala/Al Walaja road. 	
TULKAREM	 Closure: The city of Tulkarem remains a closed military area. Civilians are prohibited from entering or leaving the area. Flying Checkpoints: At 11:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of Dahiyat Shuweika, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs. At 22:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Iktaba, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs. At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Lid, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs. At 21:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of the village of Al Jarushiya. Separation Wall Gates: Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits which are based on not specific criteria. The closure continues to negatively impact economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities. House Demolitions: The Israeli army demolished 2 houses belonging to: Tariq Abed Rabbo; and Haitham Al Luweisi, who is currently in Israeli prison. Incursion: The Israeli army continues to surround Tulkarem refugee camp and impose curfew, open intensive fire and throw sound bombs towards civilian homes. The Israeli army searched houses after exploding entrances and detained civilians under the rain. The Israeli army demolished 2 homes, searched 1 mosque and destroyed all its contents, and arrested 8 civilians, including Palestinian National Security officers, 	

before withdrawing at 09:45.

• Attack: At 23:10, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards neighborhoods located south of the city.

• Raids:

- (i) At 10:10, the Israeli army raided Dahiyat Shuweika.
- (ii) At 12:40, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the town of Anabta and opened indiscriminate fire. The Israeli army again opened fire at 18:15 and then moved towards the village to Kafr Al Labad.
- (iii) At 18:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Far'un and imposed curfew.
- (iv) Since 22:45, the Israeli army, including 13 jeeps and 4 tanks, moved towards the city center, took position and opened intensive fire before withdrawing at 06:00.

• Air Patrols:

- (i) At 09:15, Israeli reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over Tulkarem city and refugee camp.
- (ii) At 10:15, Israeli military aircraft patrolled the skies over Tulkarem city and refugee camp.

• Arrests:

The Israeli army arrested 8 civilians in Tulkarem refugee camp:

- (i) Leith Inaya, 25 years old, Palestinian National Security officer;
- (ii) Hani Al Turabein, 21 years old, Palestinian National Security officer;
- (iii) Hasan Al Khuli, 40 years old;
- (iv) Musa Al Khuli, 18 years old;
- (v) Muhammad Qowzah, 20 years old;
- (vi) Nu'man Qowzah, 24 years old;
- (vii) Raed Qowzah, 22 years old; and
- (viii) Ghassan Qowzah, 18 years old.

• Closure:

- (i) Nablus remains a closed military area. Civilians are prohibited from leaving or entering the city.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to seal off the village of Deir Sharaf, preventing civilians from entering or leaving the area.
- Attack: At 18:40, the Israeli army opened fire towards a civilian vehicle near the town of Aqraba, injuring 1 child passenger.
- **Physical Assault:** The Israeli army, located at the checkpoint at the village of Till, severely beat 1 civilian.

Raids:

- (i) At 02:10, the Israeli army raided Dahiyat Rafeedya and arrested 1 civilian.
- (ii) At 04:00, the Israeli army raided Dahiyat Rafeedya and arrested a Palestinian Police officer.
- (iii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Furik and arrested 3

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	civilians. • Injury: The Israeli army injured 15-year-old Yehya Zein ad Din. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in Dahiyat Rafeedya: (i) Munadil Abu Kheit, 24 years old, Palestinian Police officer; and (ii) Ghassan Dalal, 28 years old. The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the town of Beit Furik: (iii) Oday Hanani, 22 years old; (iv) Khumeini Hanani, 25 years old; (v) Murad Hanani, 26 years old.
HEBRON	 Detention: The Israeli army, positioned in the neighborhoods east of Hebron city, detained dozens of civilians, searched, verbally assaulted and beat several of the civilians. Raid: At 06:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, searched 1 house and arrested 3 civilians, including an employee of the Palestinian Coordination Committee. The Israeli army raided a kindergarten, destroyed its contents, confiscated 1 computer and welded shut the entrance. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians: (i) Muhammad Suheil Obeido, Palestinian Coordination Committee employee; (ii) Zuheir Al Rajabi, 23 years old; and (iii) Obeida Al Rajabi. Chemical Destruction: 3 Israeli helicopters sprayed an unidentified chemical substance over 1000 dunums (250 acres) of agricultural land east of the town of Yatta. All crops were destroyed.
QALQILYA	Separation Wall Gates: Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits which are based on no specific criteria. The closure continues to negatively impact economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.
SALFIT	Raid: The Israeli army raided the town of Biddya and searched several houses after sealing off all entrances.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	 <u>Closure</u>: The Erez crossing remains closed to workers. <u>Attack</u>: At 18:15, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Point 64 towards civilian houses in the town of Jabaliya. <u>Air Patrol</u>: At 11:00, Israeli aircraft patrolled the skies over the district.
GAZA CITY	 Closure: Al Shuhada' junction (Nitsareem) remains closed. Al Mintar crossing (Karni) was closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	 Attack: At 14:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from the settlement of Kfar Daroom towards nearby houses, injuring an elderly civilian man. Raid/Land Leveling: At 14:00, the Israeli army, including 18 military personnel carriers, 1 jeep and several bulldozers, raided the area of Abu Is'eed near the settlement of Kfar Daroom, demolished 8 houses and leveled agricultural land. Injury: The Israeli army injured 64-year-old Ali Abu Al Qasim.
KHAN YUNIS	 Closure: Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) remains closed. Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. Abu Holi road is partially opened. Attack: At 14:40, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Point 12 towards civilian houses in Al Nimsawi neighborhood.
RAFAH	 Closure: (i) The Gaza International Airport remains closed. (ii) Sufa crossing remains closed to all civilians.

PERMITS	
GAZA STRIP	 <u>Permits to Cross the Green Line</u>: All crossings remain closed to all civilians. <u>Permits to enter Industrial Areas</u>: All crossings remain closed to all civilians.