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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 26 January 2008 – 08:00, 27 January 2008

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	1		1	One civilian on Atarot, north of Jerusalem
Physical Injuries	1		1	Physician beaten in Jenin district
Arrests	13		13	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem; 3 in Ramallah
Detentions	19		19	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Raids	29		29	Incl. 8 in Ramallah; 6 in Hebron
Checkpoints	15		15	Closure of checkpoints, stricter measures
Flying Checkpoints	14		14	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem; 5 in Hebron
Attacks	5	1	6	Incl. during 2 raids; 2 confrontations
Wall construction	25		25	Continues in West Bank districts
Closures	7		7	Partial in Jerusalem, 3 areas in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	35		35	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem; 12 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points		5	5	Partial opening of 2 crossings
Medical Obstruction	1		1	Israeli troops search clinic in Jenin
Palestinian Attacks		3	3	Incl. 10 mortar fired towards Green Line
TOTAL	165	9	174	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

ALL DISTRICTS

• The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints set up on the main roads connecting the West Bank districts, thereby isolating the northern districts from the southern districts as well as the Jericho district and the Jordan Valley from the remainder of the West Bank.

• <u>Closure</u>: At 11:00, the Israeli army closed the city of Jerusalem completely for a number of hours. The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also continued to close the entrances to al-Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and impede civilian access to the mosque. Additionally, the Israeli army combed the area alongside the apartheid Wall as a result of heated alarms of a suicide attack in the city.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat al-Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with a barbed wire gate and to deny civilian access.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al-Bareed to the town of al-Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho.

• <u>Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and has designated a special crossing for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem.

- <u>Flying Checkpoints</u>: At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the junction of the town of Anata, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- <u>Raids</u>: At 24:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Abu Dis and arrested one civilian.
- Attacks: At 12:00, the Israeli army stationed in Atarot industrial zone that is located to the north of the city of Jerusalem opened fire towards a civilian while he was stabbing a soldier and a settler, and injured and arrested him.

• Arrests:

- (i) The civilian arrested in the town of Abu Dis is Isaam Mohammad Ata Qaisieh.
- (ii) The civilian arrested in Atarot industrial zone has not been identified.

• Wall Gates:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on al-Shayyah road in the area between the villages of al-Sawahira

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	 al-Sharqiya and al-Sawahira al-Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al-Bareed, Dahiyat al-Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of al-'Eizariya to al-Shayyah, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of al-Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of the village of al-Jib, and in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna.
RAMALLAH	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil. The Israeli army continues to close the western entrance to the village of Safa with cement blocks. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and impede civilian access. Raids: At 15:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Abu Shkheidem and the village of Kooper, clashed with civilians during house search, and handed one civilian a notification to report to the Israeli intelligence. At 16:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Abu Qash and arrested 3 civilians, including 2 children. At 01:15, the Israeli army raided the villages of Qarawa Bani Zayd and Mazare' al-Noubani, and patrolled them until 01:50. At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the cities of Ramallah and al-Bireh, and patrolled them until 02:10. At 02:35, the Israeli army raided the city of al-Bireh and patrolled it until 03:00. Arrests: The 3 civilians arrested in the village of Abu Qash are: Walid Issa Abu Ali, 17; Mohammad Hassan al-Khatib, 16; Mohammad Rajeh Abu Thaher. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area west of the town of 'Abud as well as in the areas of al-Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.
JENIN	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. Flying Checkpoints: (i) At 10:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the junction of the village of al-Jarba, and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 19:00, the Israeli army set up 2 checkpoints at the entrance to the town of Qabatia and between the town of Arraba and the village of Fahmeh, and searched civilians

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	 (ii) 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 leveling for Wall construction continues in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr
	Thulth and 'Azzun.
NABLUS	Closure of Main Roads: (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus road between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al-Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh as well as the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of al-Lubban al-Sharqiya with dirt barricades and cement blocks. (iv) The Israeli army continues to close the road that connects the city of Nablus with the village of Qosin with dirt barricades. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: (i) At Tur neighborhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim Mount) is closed on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On all other days, it is open for civilian residents of the neighborhood only. (ii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the nearby village of Beit Dajan. (iii) Beginning on 23 November 2006, the Israeli army continues to close the checkpoint set up in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira al-Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only
	allowing access to humanitarian cases. • Raids: The Israeli army raided and patrolled the villages of Beta and Osrin, and searched a number of houses.
SALFIT	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising). The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Marda and, with cement blocks, the western entrance to the town of Kafr al-Dik. The Israeli army continues to close the agricultural road connecting the village of Iskaka and the bypass road (trans-Samaria) near Ariel settlement. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut and Za'tarah checkpoints and to deny civilian access. Raids: At 14:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Marda. Detentions: At 10:25, the Israeli army detained at Beit Iba checkpoint police officer Abdel Latif Mousa Ali and released him at 11:20 after the intervention of the military liaison.

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	• <u>Wall Construction</u> : Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kafr Hares north		
	of the settlement of Ari'el.		
JERICHO	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of al-'Auja with cement blocks and to prevent farmers not holding Jericho Governorate IDs from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also continues to deny access to the city to holders of Israeli IDs. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at al-Hamra checkpoint set up along al-Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus as well as on the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of al-'Auja along al-Mu'arrajat road that connects the districts of Jericho and Ramallah. Flying Checkpoints: At 15:45, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint near the junction of Vered Yeriho settlement. Raids: At 09:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of al-'Auja, and set up a checkpoint. The raid recurred at 23:20. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested at al-Karama (Allenby) Crossing civilian Nidal Abbas Dweikat, a resident of the city of Nablus, while he was on his way to Jordan. 		
BETHLEHEM	 Closure: (i) 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. (ii) Since September 15, 2007, the Israeli army has been preventing civilian access, according to military order 07.02.S, to the 22-dunum land that has been confiscated in accordance with confiscation order number 07.31.T. The 22-dunum area has been set to construct a passage in the area of Mazmouriyyeh that is located in the cities of Beit Sahour and Bethlehem. 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. Raids: (i) At 21:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of al-Khader. (ii) At 02:40, the Israeli army raided the refugee camp of Dheisheh in the city of Bethlehem and arrested 2 civilian brothers. (iii) At 06:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Beit Jala and the town of al-Khader. Arrests: The 2 civilians arrested in the refugee camp of Dheisheh are: (a) Issam Ahmad Ali Effendi; and his brother (b) Usama Ahmad Ali Effendi. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of al-Khader; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Ephrata; and in the area surrounding the 		

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	village of al-Walaja.
	• Closure: (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: al-Shuhada' Street and the area of al-Sahleh with cement blocks and barbed wire; the old gold market with an iron gate; the area of Khuzq al-Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino with a dirt barricade and an iron gate; and the entrance to the area of al-Khan with an electronic gate, isolating the area from al-Laban Market and the area of al-Sahleh. The Israeli army also continues to install an iron gate at the entrance to the area of al-Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) in the old city of Hebron, thereby controlling civilian access in the area. (ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from traveling along the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron unless
	they possess access permits.
	• Closure of Main Roads: (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following
	locales: the entrance to the town of al-Samoa'; the area of al-Hawawir leading to the town of Halhoul; the area of al-Fahs south of the city of Hebron; the junction to the area of Farsh al-Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron; the road connecting the town of Surif
HEBRON	to the village of al-Jab'a; the entrance to the village of Beit 'Einun; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to al-Qeisi neighborhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to al-'Arroub refugee camp.
	(ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from traveling along Shalala Old Street that leads to the old city of Hebron, only allowing Israeli vehicles as well as Israeli army vehicles to travel along this street.
	Flying Checkpoints:
	(i) At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the junction of al-Fawwar, and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(ii) At 10:20, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint in the area of Yaqin at the entrance to the town of Bani
	Na'eem, and impeded traffic until 15:00. (iii) At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the village of al-Tabaqa, and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(iv) At 15:35, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the village of al-Surra, and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(v) At 19:50, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at he entrance to the refugee camp of al-Fawwar, and

searched civilians and vehicles.
Raids:
(i) At 12:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron. The
raid recurred at 19:50 during which Israeli troops searched one civilian
house and handed one civilian a notification to report to the Israeli
intelligence.
(ii) At 15:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Dura.
(iii) At 15:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of al-
Thahiriyyeh.
(iv) At 20:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Ummar and clashed
with civilians during patrol.
(v) At 01:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Tafouh, searched 4 civilian
houses, and withdrew at 03:45.
• Arrests:
(i) At 14:20, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilian brothers in the area
located between the town of Beit Ummar and Kfar Etzyon
settlement. The arrested brothers are:
(a) Mousa Mohammad Briegheith; and his brother
(b) Issa Mohammad Briegheith.
(ii) At 14:50, the Israeli army arrested, near the al-Ibrahimi Mosque in
the old city of Hebron, civilian Sufyan Abdel Baset under the pretext
of finding a knife with him.
• Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya
checkpoint terminal, the remaining section of the Wall route that separates
the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of al-Ramadin, and near the
village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.
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GAZA STRIP

	• <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u> : Beit Hanoun (Erez) Crossing is partially open (to
NODELLEDN	allow previously coordinated humanitarian access).
NORTHERN	Palestinian Attacks:
GAZA	(i) At 14:50, two (unidentified) mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
	(ii) At 16:30, two (unidentified) mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
	Closure of Crossing Points:
GAZA	(i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed.
	(ii) Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially open to let in a limited
	quantity of fuel.
	• Palestinian Attacks: At 17:40, armed individuals opened fire towards the
	southern area of al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing east of the city of Gaza.
RAFAH	Closure of Crossing Points: All Closed
	(i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.

(ii)	Rafah (al-Awdah) Crossing is closed.
(iii)	Sufa Crossing is closed.
(iv)	Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.