مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 8 March 2004 - 08:00 9 March 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

| EVENT | WEST BANK | GAZA STRIP | TOTAL | NOTES |
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| Deaths | 2 | _ | 2 | Incl. 1 child run over by settler |
| Physical Assaults | 3 | _ | 3 | Dozens of protestors |
| Injuries | 43 | 1 | 44 | Incl. 1 child & 35 protestors |
| Attacks | 8 | 2 | 10 | |
| Raids | 15 | 2 | 17 | Incl. planting landmines, KY |
| Air Patrol | 1 | _ | 1 | Reconnaissance |
| Arrests (per person) | 18 | | 18 | Incl. 10 officers |
| Detention | 1 | | 1 | Dozens of civilians at chpnt. |
| Separation Wall Const. | 9 | | 9 | Jer. (3), Jenin (3) & Ram. (4) |
| Destruction of Property | 1 | | 1 | Destruction of shop doors |
| Curfew | 1 | | 1 | |
| Checkpoints | All | | All | |
| Flying Checkpoints | 9 | | 9 | |
| Closures (per District) | 6 | | 6 | Total closure |
| Closure of Main Roads | Most | (5) | Most | Esp. connecting governorates |
| Closure of Wall Gates | All | | All | Permits required to cross |
| Closure of Crossing Points | | 2 | 2 | 1 Partially open to workers |
| School Disruption | 1 | | 1 | Raid on vocational school |
| Settlement Activity | 1 | | 1 | Creation of tourist project, Jer. |
| Settler Violence | 2 | _ | 2 | Child run over & civil. beaten |
| Demonstrations | 3 | _ | 3 | Against separation wall |
| TOTAL | 124 | 7 | 131 | |

| DISTRICT EVENT | |
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WEST BANK

| JERUSALEM | Separation Wall Construction: Construction of the separation wall continues in Al Eizariya, Abu Dis, Al Sawahira and Sur Bahir. Preparatory work, including land levelling, for construction of the separation wall in Beit Surik and Qatanna remains suspended by order of the Israeli Supreme Court. Killing: An Israeli settler intentionally ran over 15-year-old Khaled Musa Hadib in Al Sheikh Jarrah neighbourhood, killing him instantly. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested 1 unidentified civilian in Al Aqsa Mosque. Settlement Activity: The Israeli Settler Society of Elad began construction of a commercial/tourist centre in the area adjacent to Al Maghariba Gate. Settler Violence: Israeli Settlers attacked and injured 6 civilians in the old city of Jerusalem. Demonstration: Hundreds of civilians in the village of Beit Duqqu demonstrated against construction of the separation wall and land confiscation. The Israeli army opened fire, fired tear gas grenades and sound bombs towards demonstrators, and severely beat several civilians, injuring 20 protestors. |
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| RAMALLAH & EL BIREH | Separation Wall Construction: Construction of the western portion of the separation wall continues in Budrus, Rantis, Beit Liqya, near Beituniya and near the village of Midya. Raid: At 01:30, 8 Israeli jeeps raided the city of Ramallah and arrested 1 officer in Al Am'ari refugee camp. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Jihad Tumaleh in Al Am'ari refugee camp. Demonstration: Hundreds of civilians in the village of Beit Liqya demonstrated against construction of the separation wall and land confiscation. The Israeli army opened fire, fired tear gas grenades and sound bombs towards demonstrators, and severely beat several civilians, injuring 15 protestors. |
| JENIN | Separation Wall Gates: Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure |

| | continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impede access to health facilities. • Separation Wall Construction: Construction of the separation wall continues south of Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, 'Ein al Beida and towards the Jordan River. • Raids: (i) At 14:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Anza, searched several houses and opened fire towards civilians, injuring 1 civilian by live fire and 2 others by rubber coated steel bullets. (ii) At 16:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Silat Al Harithiya, forced entry into several shops and searched the municipality building. (iii) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Anin, imposed curfew and patrolled along the route of the separation wall. (iv) The Israeli army raided the city of Jenin and arrested Sheikh Muhammad Radwan, a cleric from the local mosque. |
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| JERICHO | Activities not yet reported. |
| BETHLEHEM | Closure: The villages of Al Arqub, Husan, Battir and Wadi Fukin continue to be surrounded by the Israeli army. The Israeli army has blocked all entrances to the villages with dirt mounds. Physical Assault: The Israeli army physically assaulted Muhammad Halahla, 30 years old, at a checkpoint located north of the city. Halahla was hospitalised for injuries sustained during the attack. Raid: At 16:55, 22 Israeli army jeeps raided the city and arrested 1 Palestinian General Intelligence officer. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Ahmad Al Izza in the city of Bethlehem. |
| TULKAREM | Closure: The Israeli army continues to block all roads leading from the village of Ramin to Bizzariya with dirt mounds. Flying Checkpoints: At 07:15, and again at 20:45 and 06:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of Bal'a and searched civilian vehicles. At 08:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint south of the city, preventing vehicles and civilians from travelling towards the city of Tulkarem. At 21:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the western road in Dahiyat Shuweika, searched vehicles and obstructed movement of civilians. At 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Iktaba and prevented civilians and vehicles from travelling towards the village. Separation Wall Gates: Passage through the separation wall gates is |

restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impede access to health facilities. Raids: At 12:00, the Israeli army, including 3 tanks, 9 military personnel (i) carriers and 22 jeeps, raided the city of Tulkarem, took position on the main streets and junctions of the city and set up 2 flying checkpoints, obstructing movement of traffic. The Israeli army withdrew at 05:35. (ii) At 17:00, the Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire from Nur Shams refugee camp, detained dozens of civilians and forced them to take down Palestinian flags from electricity poles. The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian. At 01:05, 4 Israeli jeeps raided Tulkarem refugee camp, searched (iii) several houses and opened indiscriminate fire. (iv) At 11:25, the Israeli army raided the village of Ramin. At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr al Labad and (v) opened indiscriminate fire. At 04:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Bizzariya, which has (vi) been surrounded for 2 days, searched several houses and arrested 3 officers. Air Patrol: At 18:00, Israeli reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over the city until morning. **Arrests:** (i) The Israeli army arrested Ala Qasido in Nur Shams refugee camp. The Israeli army arrested 3 officer in the village of Bizzariya: Izzat Amin, a Palestinian National Security officer; (ii) (iii) Ismael Tamim, a Palestinian Police officer; and Muhammad Tamim, a Palestinian General Intelligence officer. (iv) **Demonstration:** At 12:00, a women's demonstration took place in the city of Tulkarem in protest against the closure imposed on the city and construction of the separation wall. **Raid:** The Israeli army raided the village of Beita and arrested 4 civilians including 2 officers. **Arrest:** The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the village of Beita: **NABLUS** (i) Omar Jarwan, a Palestinian Police officer; Munir Barham, a Palestinian Police officer: (ii) Jamal Darwish: and (iii) Khaled Abdul Rahim. (iv) **School Disruption:** The Israeli army raided the Palestinian College for **HEBRON** Technology and fired tear gas grenades towards students, leading to several injuries due to tear gas inhalation.

| | <u>Settler Violence</u> : At 18:00, Israeli settlers in the old city of Hebron severely beat a female civilian. She was hospitalised for injuries sustained during the attack. |
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| QALQILYA | Separation Wall Gates: Passage through the separation wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impede access to health facilities. Raid: At 01:35, the Israeli army raided the village of Asala, searched several houses and arrested 2 civilians. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of Asala: Bassam Suleiman; and Ghaleb shehadeh. |
| SALFIT | Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Rafat and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 19:50, Israeli Special Forces in civilian vehicles, supported by Israeli jeeps, raided the city of Salfit, killed 1 civilian and injured 3 others, including 1 child, and arrested 4 civilians including 3 officers, one of whom was seriously injured. At 07:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan, opened fire and fired sound bombs towards students, injuring 2. Killing: The Israeli army killed Khaled Taha Abdul Hafith, 40 years old, in the city of Salfit. Injuries: The Israeli army injured 3 civilians in the city of Salfit: Muhammad Haniya, a Palestinian National Security officer; Ahmad Fakhir, 13 year old child; and Yusif Al Bir, a Palestinian General Intelligence officer. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the city of Salfit: Yusif Bir, a Palestinian General Intelligence officer; Abdul al Fattah, a Palestinian National Security officer; Imad al Qablawi, a Palestinian National Security officer; Imad al Qablawi, a Palestinian National Security officer; and Mahmoud Fatuni. |

GAZA STRIP

| NORTHERN GAZA | • <u>Closure</u> : The Erez crossing was partially opened to workers over 35 years old. |
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| GAZA CITY | • <u>Closure</u> : The junction of Nitsareem remains closed. |
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| CENTRAL GAZA | Activities not yet reported. |
| KHAN YUNIS | Closures: Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) remains closed. Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) was open to pedestrians only. Abu Holi road was partially open. Attacks: At 17:50, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Point 10 towards civilian houses in the western neighbourhood. At 23:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Point 12.5 towards civilian houses in Al Nimsawi neighbourhood, injuring 1 civilian. Raids: At 11:45, Israeli troops, supported by 1 tank, raided and searched a Palestinian National Security that had previously been evacuated south of Kissufim. At 14:30, Israeli troops raided the area of Al Qarara, south of Khan Yunis, and planted landmines in agricultural land surrounding a house belonging to Ahmad Al Sumeiri. |
| RAFAH | Closures: The Gaza International Airport remains closed. |

GENERAL

| WORK | West Bank: (i) A total of 4,756 permits were issued to West Bank residents. (ii) Permits for civilians from Bethlehem remain detained at the Israeli Coordination Committee Headquarters. (iii) Residents of Hebron were prohibited from reaching their work in |
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| PERMITS | Jerusalem. • Gaza Strip: (i) Permits were issued to 3,530 workers to enter the Industrial Area, 70% of a total of 5,035 applicants. (ii) Permits were issued to 9,420 workers to cross the Green Line, 80% of a total of 11,860 applicants. |

POLITICAL PRISONERS

- <u>Hunger Strike</u>: Palestinian child prisoners held at Hasharon Prison began an open-ended hunger strike on 4 March 2004 in protest against their conditions of detention.
- <u>Conditions of Detention</u>: Palestinian Prisoners Club Attorney Karim Hamuda confirmed that 47 prisoners currently begin held at Benyamin Detention Center, located in Ofer Military Camp near Ramallah, have been subject to extreme conditions of detention.
- <u>Attack on Detainee</u>: Israeli soldiers attacked Palestinian detainee Ashraf Samara during his trial after he attempted to shake hands with his brother.