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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 18 March 2004 - 08:00 19 March 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	_	2	2	As a result of injuries
Injuries	_	12	12	Incl. 1 critical, child & female
Attacks	4	3	7	Incl. tank shell
Raids	17	1	18	
Air Patrols	2	1	3	Helicopters & combat aircraft
Arrests (per person)	14	4	18	Incl. 3 officers & 1 female
Detentions	2	_	2	Incl. civilians in house
House Demolitions	1	8	9	Incl. part. demolition of clinic
Wall Construction	12	_	12	Jerusalem, Jenin & Ramallah
House Occupations	2	_	2	Bethlehem & Tulkarem
Confiscation of Property	1	_	1	Computers from orphanage
Checkpoints	All	_	All	
Flying Checkpoints	8	_	8	
Closures (per District)	1	1	2	
Closure of Main Roads	Most	(5)	Most	Esp. connecting governorates
Closure of Wall Gates	All	_	All	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	_	4	4	
Provocation of Forces	_	1	1	Attack on Nat. Sec. location
TOTAL	64	37	101	

WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to impose a strict closure on Jerusalem and to prevent residents from other districts from entering the city. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Al Eizariya, Abu Dis, Al Sawahira and Sur Bahir. Preparatory work, including land levelling, for construction of the Wall in Beit Surik and Qatanna remains suspended by order of the Israeli Supreme Court. The Israeli army continues to erect 2-meter high cement blocks for construction of the Wall running along the middle of the main street between Dahiyat Al Bareed checkpoint and Qalandiya checkpoint. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Ahmad Hammad, a resident of the town of Aqraba, at Ar Ram checkpoint.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Flying Checkpoints: At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of Surda, detained vehicles and examined passenger IDs. At 11:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the villages of Beit Ur and Kharbatha al Misbah, detained vehicles and examined passenger IDs. Wall Construction: Construction of the western portion of the Wall continues in Budrus, Deir Qaddis, Rantis, Beit Liqya, near Beituniya and near the village of Midya. Raids: At 14:15, Israeli Special Forces raided the village of Rammun and arrested 3 civilians. At 20:30, Israeli Special Forces raided Al Jalazun refugee camp and arrested 1 officer. At 21:10, 2 Israeli army jeeps raided the village of Beit Rima. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the village of Rammun: Yasir Kahla; Anas Silsila; and Saed Nabta.

	The Israeli army arrested 1 officer in Al Jalazun refugee camp: (iv) Muhib Abu Sharif, a Palestinian Police officer.
JENIN	 Wall Gates: Passage through the 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. Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall continues south of Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida and towards the Jordan River.
JERICHO	Activities not yet reported.
BETHLEHEM	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close the northern and southern entrances of the city, leading to the cities of Jerusalem and Hebron. Raids/House Demolition: At 00:45, 14 Israeli army jeeps raided the city of Bethlehem, demolished 1 house belonging to Jamil Khalaf Hamid, deceased, and destroyed the entire contents of the house. At 00:45, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem, raided the headquarters of a charitable organization for the care of orphans and confiscated all computers and files from its offices. At 01:00, the Israeli army, including 1 APC and 8 jeeps, raided the city of Bethlehem, searched 1 house, detained all its residents in one room and converted the house into a military post.
TULKAREM	 Flying Checkpoints: At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of the town of Attil, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs. At 08:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of the town of Bal'a, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs. At 08:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of the village of Al Jarushiya, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs. At 09:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the towns of Bal'a and Anabta, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs. At 14:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the town of Attil and the village of Illar, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs. Wall Gates: Passage through the 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: (i) At 10:30, the Israeli army including, 3 APCs and 9 jeeps, raided the city of Tulkarem 4 times and took position at its main intersections. Israeli army jeeps patrolled the city and occupied the rooftop of 1 house, from which it opened fire indiscriminately. The Israeli army withdrew at 02:30. At 11:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Far'un, searched 1 (ii) house, detained 1 civilian and arrested 1 civilian. (iii) At 12:00, an Israeli army jeep raided the town of Beit Lid and arrested 1 civilian. At 15:00, Israeli Special Forces were seen at the outskirts of the (iv) village of Seida. The Israeli Special Forces withdrew after brief confrontations with civilians. Israeli army tanks and jeeps, supported by helicopters, then raided the village, opened fire and set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the village, and arrested 1 civilian. The Israeli army remained positioned at the checkpoint until 01:00. At 12:05, 5 Israeli army jeeps raided the village of Izbat Shufa and (v) searched several houses. At 21:45, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps and an armoured detainee (vi) carrier, raided Tulkarem refugee camp twice and opened indiscriminate fire. The Israeli army withdrew at 02:30. Air Patrol: At 08:45, Israeli combat aircraft patrolled the skies over the city and refugee camps at low latitude **Arrests:** (i) The Israeli army arrested Dheeb Suweis in the town of Beit Lid. The Israeli army arrested Nash'at Obeid in the village of Far'un. (ii) (iii) The Israeli army arrested Naji Mudallal in the village of Seida. Raid: At 01:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Zawata, searched 1 house and arrested 1 officer. **Arrests: NABLUS** (i) The Israeli army arrested Zedan Juda, a Palestinian Police officer, in the village of Zawata. The Israeli army arrested Tahani Zaki Al Bakh, a female civilian, at (ii) Huwwara checkpoint. **Raids:** (i) At 15:00, Israeli Special Forces raided the town of Bani Na'im and HEBRON arrested 1 unidentified civilian. (ii) At 19:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura and arrested 3

	civilians, including 1 officer. • <u>Arrests</u> : The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the town of Dura, including Nadir al Rujoub, a Palestinian officer.
QALQILYA	 Wall Gates: Passage through the 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 02:00, 4 Israeli army jeeps raided the city of Qalqiliya and patrolled the area.
SALFIT	Raid: At 21:30, 2 Israeli army jeeps raided the village of Bruqin, opened fire and fired sound bombs.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	Closure: The Erez crossing was closed.
GAZA CITY	 Closure: The junction of Nitsareem remains closed. The Karni crossing was closed. Attack: At 21:30, the Israeli army fired 1 tank shell towards the city of Gaza near the Palestinian National Security Headquarters. Raid/House Demolitions: At 03:30, the Israeli army, supported by helicopters, raided the village of Al Mughraqa, opened intensive fire towards civilian houses, demolished 7 houses, partially demolished a medical clinic in the village, arrested 4 civilians and injured 10 others, including 1 critical injury. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the village of Mughraqa, including: Ahmad Hassan; and Mahmoud Hassan.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not yet reported.

KHAN YUNIS	 Closure: (i) Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) remains closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. (iii) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) was open to pedestrians over the age of 35. (iv) Abu Holi road was partially open.
RAFAH	 Closure: The Gaza International Airport remains closed. The Israeli army opened the Sufa crossing for the passage of trucks carrying building supplies. Attack: At 12:35, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Point 6 towards civilian houses in Al Barazil neighbourhood, injuring a female and a 13-year-old child. Killings: 2 Palestinian civilians died as a result of injuries sustained during Israeli army air attacks in the city of Rafah on 17 March 2004: Ayman Abu Hashim; and Adli Abu Taha.