

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 5 March 2004 – 08:00 6 March 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	1	4	5	14 year old, 4 security officers
Physical Assaults	1	—	1	14 year old
Injuries	2	15	17	10 year old, 15 security offic.
Attacks	7	9	16	Incl. tank shelling
Raids	15	3	18	
Arrests (per person)	8	—	8	Incl. 2 security officials
Land Confiscation	1	—	1	6 dunums (1.25 acres)
Curfews	2	—	2	Husan and Al Ramadin
Checkpoints	All	—	All	
Flying Checkpoint	7	—	7	
Closures (per District)	All	All	All	Total closure
Closure of Main Roads	Almost All	(5)	Most	Esp. roads connecting districts
Closure of Wall Gates	All	—	All	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	4	
Settler Violence	4	—	4	Settler ran over man
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	
Palestinian Attack	—	1	1	Qassam mortar
TOTAL	49	36	85	

DISTRICT	EVENT
<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: For the 2nd consecutive day, all districts of the West Bank are completely closed. Civilians, including workers, are prohibited from travelling between districts and from entering Jerusalem or the Gaza Strip. Workers are prohibited from crossing the Green Line or entering the industrial areas.

WEST BANK

<p style="text-align: center;">JERUSALEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army prevented civilians from other districts from entering Jerusalem. Israeli authorities continue to tighten restrictions at the entrances of the city. Thousands of worshipers were prohibited from reaching Al Aqsa Mosque for Friday prayers. (ii) The Israeli army prevented the Sheikh of Al Aqsa Mosque from entering the Old City to deliver Friday sermons to worshipers. • Separation Wall Construction: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Construction of the separation wall in Al Eizariya, Abu Dis, Al Sawahira and Sur Bahir was suspended over the weekend. (ii) 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.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Separation Wall Construction: Construction of the western portion of the separation wall in Budrus, Rantis, Beit Liqya, near Beituniya and near the village of Midya was suspended over the weekend. • Closure: At 09:45, the Israeli army closed Atara bridge and prevented civilians from crossing. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:50, several Israeli army jeeps raided the cities of Ramallah and El Bireh, and surrounded the presidential headquarters and the security agency headquarters. The Israeli army remain present as of 08:00 this morning. (ii) At 15:00, several army jeeps raided the town of Beituniya. (iii) At 04:30, 3 Israeli army jeeps raided the village of Kafr 'Ein. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:30, 14:30 and 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road of Bir Zeit/Ramallah, near the village of Surda.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 10:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of 'Ein Arik and closed the road connecting Ramallah city to all the western villages. (iii) At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of 'Ein Arik, near the schools in the town of Beituniya, searched vehicles and obstructed traffic movement.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Separation Wall Gates:</u> 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. • <u>Separation Wall Construction:</u> Construction of the separation wall south of Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, 'Ein al Beida and towards the Jordan Valley was suspended over the weekend. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Jaba' and provoked civilians, leading to confrontations in which the Israeli army opened fire injuring a child in the head. The child is in critical condition. (ii) The Israeli army raided the city of Jenin and took position in the main streets. • <u>Injury:</u> The Israeli army injured Abdallah Ghannam (in critical condition), 10 years old.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem and Al Duheisha refugee camp, searched several houses and arrested 5 civilians including 2 from the Palestinian National Security. (ii) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Wadi Rahhal and arrested 1 civilian. (iii) At 16:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Dar Salah. (iv) At 00:45, the Israeli army raided the village of al Walaja, searched several houses and arrested 2 civilians. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 5 civilians from the city: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Ayman Al Zaghari; (ii) Saoud Eid; (iii) Ghassan Abdul Jawad; (iv) As'ad al Masri, from the Palestinian Security; and (v) Abdul Rahman Moqdad, from the Palestinian Security. The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian from the village of Wadi Al Rahhal: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (vi) Waheed Obeidat.

	<p>The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians from the village of Al Walaja:</p> <p>(vii) Ayman Shar'ab; and</p> <p>(viii) Hatim al Araj.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <p>(i) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in Wadi Nar on the Bethlehem/Jerusalem road.</p> <p>(ii) At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit Sahur ash Sharqi.</p> • <u>Attack:</u> At 10:00, the Israeli army surrounding the mosque of Bilal Bin Rabah opened fire towards civilians. • <u>Closure:</u> <p>(i) For the 14th consecutive day, the Israeli army continues to close the village of Husan.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army closed the villages of Battir, Nahhalin and Wadi Fukin, and severely beat Ashraf Oweina, 14 years old.</p>
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Separation Wall Gates:</u> 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. • <u>Raids:</u> <p>(i) At 16:45, 2 Israeli jeeps raided the town of Attil, provoked civilians into confrontations in which the Israeli army opened fire.</p> <p>(ii) At 20:05, the Israeli army raided Dahiyat Dhinnaba in Tulkarem, searched 1 house and occupied the house for 2 hours.</p> <p>(iii) At 23:35, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem refugee camp and opened fire.</p> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> Since early morning, the Israeli army set up dozens of flying checkpoints at the city entrances and on the main roads in the district, paralyzing civilian movement. • <u>Attack:</u> At 06:55, an Israeli army jeep opened fire towards a Palestinian Security Agency patroller killing a member of the Palestinian National Security. • <u>Killing:</u> The Israeli army killed Thaer abu Sariya, 18 years old.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not yet reported.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raid:</u> The Israeli army raided the town of Dura, opened indiscriminate fire and fired tear gas grenades. • <u>Curfew:</u> For the 3rd consecutive day, the Israeli army continues to impose curfew over the town of Beit Ummar and Al Arrub refugee camp. The Israeli army opened fire in Beit Ummar.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Settler Violence:</u> Settlers attacked Palestinian civilians in the old city of Hebron, raided a house in attempts of occupying it and posted pictures of Baruch Goldstein, responsible for the massacre of worshipers in the Ibrahimi Mosque in 1993. The settlers plan to prepare a festival to honour him.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Separation Wall Gates:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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. (ii) The Israeli army closed the separation wall gates leading to the villages of Ras al Tira, Wadi Al Rasha and ad Dab'a, all located behind the separation wall. The Israeli army will continue to close the gates until 08:03. • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army closed the iron gate at the entrance to the town of Azzun, isolating the city of Qalqiliya from its northern, eastern and southern villages. • <u>Land Confiscation:</u> The Israeli army issued confiscation orders for 6 <i>dunums</i> (1.25 acres) of land located at the entrance of the village of Kafr Laqif. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> A settler ran over Muhammad Abu Wadi, a civilian, near the village of An Nabi Elyas. He was subsequently hospitalized.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of the village of Haris.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Erez crossing was partially open to workers. • <u>Attacks:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:45, the Israeli army fired a tank shell towards the Palestinian National Security position west of the town of Beit Lahia. (ii) At 10:00, the Israeli army fired 3 fragmentation shells near the industrial area and the Beit Hanoun crossing, killing 3 members of the Palestinian National Security and injuring 15. • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 00:30, a Qassam shell was fired towards the Green Line.
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<p>GAZA CITY</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The junction of Nitsareem remains closed. (ii) Al Mintar (Karni) was closed. • Killing: 14 year old Muhammad Al Sharafi died of injuries inflicted upon him during the Israeli air raid that targeted a vehicle several days ago. • Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:15, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Point 93 towards Palestinian territory, east of Gaza. (ii) At 18:40, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards the area of Malaka, south Gaza. (iii) At 20:40, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from the settlement of Nitsareem towards the area south Gaza.
<p>CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raid: At 23:00, 2 Israeli tanks took position 300 meters from the Palestinian National Security position south of Deir al Balah.
<p>KHAN YUNIS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 only. (iv) Abu Holi road was partially open. • Raid: 2 Israeli personnel carriers raided the area of al Atatra, near the settlement of Morag, opened fire sporadically and searched several houses. • Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 19:15, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Point 8 towards civilian houses in Al Amal Neighbourhood. (ii) At 21:55, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 7.5 towards civilian houses in Al Amal Neighbourhood.
<p>RAFAH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Gaza International Airport remains closed. (ii) Sufa crossing is closed. • Attack: At 13:50, the Israeli army fired a shell from Point 21 towards civilian houses in Al Nada towers. • Raid: At 20:30, 11 tanks, 2 bulldozers raided the neighbourhood of Al Salam neighbourhood.

PRISONERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Political prisoners in sections 13-14 in the detention of Shatti suffer greatly from skin diseases.
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