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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 08 January 2010 – 08:00 09 January 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	—	1	A civilian severely beaten in Nablus
Injuries	8	—	8	Incl. a journalist and an Israeli activist
Attacks	5	2	7	Incl. 1 from mil. post and 1 by the navy
Raids	22	—	22	Incl. 4 in Tulkarem and 6 in Hebron
Arrest (per person)	1	—	1	A civilian in the city of Hebron
Detentions	13	—	13	Incl. a Palestinian Police officer
Wall Construction	21	—	21	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Qalqiliya
Destruction of Property	1	—	1	About 60 olive trees cut down
Confiscation of Property	1	—	1	3 tents from a Police officer in Tubas
Closure of Checkpoints	9	—	9	Incl. 1 checkpoint closed temporarily
Flying Checkpoints	19	—	19	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem and 6 in Nablus
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Incl. Jerusalem and 4 areas in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	38	—	38	Incl. 8 in Nablus and 14 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	—	6	6	Rafah Crossing exceptionally open
Settler Violence	7	—	7	Incl. attempt to raid Al Aqsa Mosque
Palestinian Attacks	—	2	2	4 mortars fired towards the Green Line
Demonstrations	6	—	6	Incl. against settlement activity & Wall
TOTAL	159	10	169	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On 08 January 2010, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, set up several flying checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound, and denied access to civilians to perform Friday prayers at the mosque. (i) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli authorities issued Military Order # S/02/09 on the closure of and denial of civilian access to the "demarcation area" along the Wall in the area surrounding the city of Jerusalem. Accordingly, local residents and civilians holding permits can access this area through crossings and gates set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. (The demarcation area is defined by a set of military orders relating to land confiscation for Wall construction). (ii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill located in an area between the village of Biddu and Beit Iksa due to its geographical significance as it overlooks the city of Jerusalem. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba'. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate along the Wall section, separating the area of Dahiyat al Bareed from the town of Ar Ram. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya 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. • Settler Violence: On 08 January 2010, a group of Israeli settlers attempted to gain access into the Al Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and performed Jewish rituals near the Cotton Merchant's Gate, after Palestinian guards and civilians had confronted them. • Demonstration: In the evening of 08 January 2010, a mass demonstration, including peace activists, took place in the Ash Sheikh Jarrah neighbourhood in the city of Jerusalem in protest against Israeli settlement projects as well as against Israeli settlers' seizure of civilian houses. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 Ash Shayyah road in the area between the villages of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, from Beit Surik village to Biddu; in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina; west of the village of Al Jib; in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna; south of the village of Beit Hanina; and in the area surrounding the checkpoint set up at the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades and cement blocks the entrances to the town of Sinjil, the village of Saffa; and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – 'Ein Samiya. • Flying Checkpoint: At 17:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to the settlement of Halamish and searched civilians and vehicles. • Settler Violence: At 21:00, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Halamish cut down approximately 60 olive trees on civilian land in the area surrounding the settlement. Settlers also threw stones at civilian vehicles. • Demonstrations/Attacks/Injuries: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Bil'in against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured 1 civilian, 1 local journalist, and 1 Israeli peace activist. A number of participants were also wounded as a result of tear gas inhalation. (ii) At 13:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the town of Ni'lin against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured a number of participants as a result of tear gas inhalation. (iii) At 13:00, a mass demonstration took place in the village of Deir Nidham in protest against land confiscation for expansion of the settlement of Halamish. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured 4 civilians. In addition, a number of participants were injured as a result of tear gas inhalation. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of 'Abud town and in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.
<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Road: 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: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Rummana and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 21:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of 'Arraba and searched civilians and vehicles until 22:00. • Raid: At 24:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Fahma and patrolled the area until 01:00.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which affects the educational and health conditions of civilians living behind the Wall.
TUBAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: Though allowing civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley between 06:00 and 22:00, the Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:00, the Israeli army raided the village of 'Atuf and patrolled the area until 18:40. (ii) At 24:00, the Israeli army raided Al Far'a refugee camp and patrolled the area until 01:00. • Detention/Confiscation of Property: At 16:50, Israeli troops positioned at the Tayasir checkpoint detained Nael Fawwaz Saleh Sawaftah, a Palestinian Police officer, confiscated 3 tents that were in his possession, and released him after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). • Settler Violence: At 09:30, a group of Israeli settlers, who were in possession of maps, gained access to the Al Khuli Mountain near the village of 'Atuf east of the town of Tammun.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa as well as the road connecting the villages of Shufa and 'Izbat Shufa. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • Flying Checkpoint: At 23:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the entrance to the town of Baqa ash Sharqiya and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Tulkarem. (ii) At 11:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Anabta. (iii) At 14:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Zeita. (iv) At 14:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Baqa ash Sharqiya. • Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Jinsafut and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 21:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the entrance to the village of An Nabi Elyas and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids/Attack:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army raided the town of ‘Azzun as well as the villages of ‘Izbat at Tabib and ‘Asla and patrolled these areas until 09:55. (ii) At 21:00, the Israeli army raided the forested area near the village of ‘Izbat at Tabib and fired flares, while combing the area. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:05, an Israeli settler vehicle ran over Bilal Muheisen along the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road near the village of Al Funduq, leaving him with contusions. Consequently, Muheisen was transported to hospital for medical treatment. (ii) At 16:50, a group of Israeli settlers driving tractors gained access into the village of Jinsafut and provoked civilians. • <u>Wall Gate:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at ‘Azzun ‘Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a detector. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues south of the town of Jayyus as well as near the settlement of Alfei Menashe in the villages of Ras Tira, Magharet ad Dab'a, and Wadi ar Rasha south of the city of Qalqiliya.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the roads of Till-Burin and Beit Furik-Salem; the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh; the southern entrance to the village of Duma; and the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the western entrance to the village of An Naqura opposite the settlement of Shavei Shomron. (iii) Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Israeli army has continued to close with dirt barricades the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At Tur neighbourhood 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 neighbourhood only between 07:00 and 02:00. (ii) At ‘Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are allowed to cross between 05:00 and 20:00, but between 05:00 and 15:00 on Fridays. All civilian vehicles are allowed to access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint. • <u>Flying Checkpoints/Physical Assault:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the town of Beit Iba (on the road connecting the districts of Nablus and Tulkarem) and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 14:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Rujeib and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iii) At 16:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of ‘Asira ash Shamaliya and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 17:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Qusin and searched civilians and vehicles. (v) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Till and Sarra and searched civilians and vehicles. (vi) At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Odala, searched civilians and vehicles, and severely Nu’mān Ali ‘Awwadeh, leaving him with contusions. Consequently, ‘Awwadeh was transported to hospital for medical treatment. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of ‘Asira ash Shamaliya. (ii) At 19:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Osarin. (iii) At 24:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beit Furik. • Demonstration: At 13:00, a mass demonstration took place on agricultural land in the village of Qaryut in protest against the closure of the southern entrance to the village as well as against Israeli settler violence. Protestors demanded that they be allowed access to cultivate olive trees on their land near settlements. However, Israeli troops obstructed the demonstration, prevented participants from planting olive seedlings, and forced them to leave the area after having declared its a closed military zone.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and iron gates the northern entrance to the town of Bruqin and the western entrance to the town of Kafr Ad Dik. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za’tara junction checkpoint. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 17:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Deir Istiya and searched civilians and vehicles. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ariel.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus. However, the Israeli army allows civilian access between 06:00 and 22:00. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 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, only allowing access to civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence of the district of Jericho as well as to others holding access permits. • Flying Checkpoint: At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Mu'arrajat road (the northern entrance to the city of Jericho) and searched civilians and vehicles.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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) According to Military Order # 07/02/S, the Israeli army has continued since 15 September 2007 to deny civilian access to an area measuring 22 <i>dunums</i> (5.436 acres) of land in the area of Mazmuriya in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. The land was confiscated pursuant to Military Order # 07/31/T. • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad as well as a road east of the town of Beit Fajjar. • Checkpoint: At 14:30, the Israeli army closed the As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint and denied civilian access, claiming to be training soldiers positioned at the checkpoint. The Israeli army reopened the checkpoint at a later time. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Al 'Ubeidiya. (ii) At 23:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Tuqu'. • Demonstration/Attack/Injuries: At 11:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Al Ma'sara against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and participants, during which the Israeli army injured 2 civilians. A number of protestors also sustained wounds as a result of tear gas inhalation. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Ifrat settlement; and in the area surrounding Al Walaja.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As 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 As 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) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued Military Order # 09/06/S for closure of the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta, evacuation of civilian residents, and prevention of civilian access to the area. According to Military Orders # 05/03/T and 05/04/T, land in this area was confiscated for Wall construction.
- **Closure of Main Roads:**
 - (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the town of As Samoa'; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of Al Jab'a; the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa; the entrance to the Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron; as well as the entrances to Al 'Arrub refugee camp, the area of Al Hawawir, the village of At Tuwani, and the town of Adh Dhahiriya.
 - (ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron.
 - (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Al Karmil and At Tuwani and all roads leading to Road # 60.
 - **Flying Checkpoint:** At 16:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the Ash Sheikh neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - **Raids:**
 - (i) At 10:45, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and arrested a civilian, allegedly because he had attempted to stab a soldier.
 - (ii) At 13:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Imreish.
 - (iii) At 22:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura and patrolled the area until 04:20.
 - (iv) At 00:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Tarqumiya.
 - (v) At 00:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Sa'ir and Ash Shuyukh.
 - **Arrest:** The Israeli army arrested Malek 'Imad Da'na in the city of Hebron.
 - **Settler Violence:** At 12:30, a group of Israeli settlers gathered at the entrance to the town of Bani Na'im and unleashed a number of dogs at civilian houses.
 - **Wall Construction:** Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal; in the area surrounding the settlement of Eshkolot near the town of Adh Dhahiriya; and in the area between the villages of 'Arab ar Ramadin and Imneizil.

GAZA STRIP

<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the unilateral ceasefire declared by the Israeli authorities came into effect. At a later time on the same day, armed Palestinian groups announced an agreement to cease fire for a week. Later, armed Palestinian groups extended the ceasefire until 05 February 2009. Despite the fact that the extension period expired, the ceasefire continues to hold pending negotiations carried out by Egypt. • <u>Violations of the Ceasefire:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army raided Palestinian territory and opened intensive fire towards civilians and property in the district of Rafah. The Israeli navy also opened fire towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the beach of the city of Deir al Balah. (ii) Armed Palestinian individuals fired 4 mortars towards the Green Line.
<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is closed. • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 22:00, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
<p style="text-align: center;">GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. (ii) Ash Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. On 04 January 2010, the Israeli authorities made a unilateral decision on the final closure of the Crossing, which had been allocated for transportation of fuel.
<p style="text-align: center;">CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attack:</u> In the morning of 09 January 2010, the Israeli navy opened intensive fire towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the beach of the city of Deir al Balah.
<p style="text-align: center;">KHAN YUNIS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAFAH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is open on an exceptional basis for a number of international peace activists to leave for their countries. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed. • <u>Attack:</u> At dawn on 09 January 2010, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location on the Green Line towards agricultural land east of the town of Ash Shoka east of the city of Rafah. • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> On 09 January 2010, 3 mortars were fired towards the Green Line.