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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 10 February 2007 - 08:00 11 February 2007

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	2	1	3	Incl. 2 children in Jerusalem and Qalqiliya
Attacks	10	1	11	Incl. 1 in a raid & 3 from military posts
Raids	29		29	Incl. 4 in Ramallah and 5 in Nablus
Air Patrol	_	1	1	Combat helicopters over Rafah district
Arrests	14		14	Incl. 10 children & 1 Pal. security officer
Detentions	19		19	Incl. 20 school students in Jerusalem city
Wall Construction	26		26	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Hebron, Beth.
Destruction of Property	1		1	A road near Al Aqsa Mosque levelled
Attack on Property	1		1	Order issued to cease house construction
Closure of Checkpoints	18		18	Incl. 2 checkpoints closed temporarily
Flying Checkpoints	24		24	Incl. 6 in Jenin & 3 in Tulkarem
Closure (per District)	6		6	Incl. Jerusalem and Tulkarem partially
Closure of Main Roads	32		32	Incl. 2 in Bethlehem & 11 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	_	7	7	Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially
Medical Obstruction	1		1	An ambulance detained in Qalqiliya
Palestinian Attacks	_	2	2	2 mortars fired towards the Green Line
Demonstrations	3	_	3	Against land levelling in Jerusalem
TOTAL	186	12	198	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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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.

• Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also continues to close the entrances to Al Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and prevent civilians from accessing the mosque, only allowing access to female civilians and civilians holding Israeli-issued IDs who are above 45 years of age. This Israeli measure aims to prevent civilian demonstrations against the Israeli army's levelling of Bab al Maghariba old road, which leads to Al Aqsa Mosque compound.

• 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 Ar Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho.

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• Checkpoints:

- (i) 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.
- (ii) At 09:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the checkpoint set up along the main road near the village of Jaba'.

• 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 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.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed 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 Ash 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.

	 Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Qatanna and searched civilians and vehicles. Attack: At 13:00, Israeli troops positioned at Qalandiya checkpoint opened fire towards a number of children, allegedly for throwing stones. Raid/Attack/Injury: At 16:55, the Israeli army raided Qalandiya refugee camp. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 1 child. Demonstration/Attack/Detentions: At 12:00, a mass demonstration took place in the city of Jerusalem in protest against the Israeli army's land levelling near Bab al Maghariba leading to Al Aqsa Mosque compound. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army fired tear gas grenades. The Israeli army also detained 20 school students.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 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 with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and to impede access to the city of Ramallah for civilians holding IDs issued in the northern districts of the West Bank. The Israeli army has also installed surveillance cameras at the checkpoint. Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in the area west of the town of 'Abud, in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin, Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis, and in the town of Beituniya. Flying Checkpoint: At 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of 'Ein 'Arik and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 23:00, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Beituniya. At 00:55, the Israeli army raided the villages of Kobar and Burham and searched 2 houses. The Israeli army also arrested 1 child in the village of Kobar. At 02:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr 'Ein, set up a checkpoint at its entrance, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area until 06:20. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested 'Inad Mohammed al Barghouthi, 17 years old, in the village of Kobar.
JENIN	 Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the unpaved detour road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan as well as the road connecting the town of Qabatiya to the village of Misliya. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to close Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas, denying civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley, except for civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence is the Northern Jordan Valley.

•	<u>Vall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted	1
	pecial Israeli permits.	

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of 'Arraba and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Az Zababida and the village of 'Aqqaba and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Sanur and Misliya and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Sir and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (v) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the villages of Al Far'a and Al Badhan and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (vi) At 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Al Jadida and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids/Attack:

- (i) At 14:00, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Az Zababida and the villages of 'Aqqaba and Sir.
- (ii) At 23:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Kashda and opened fire, while patrolling the area.
- (iii) At 02:00, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Az Zababida.

• <u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district.

• Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the Dahiyat Iktaba-Bal'a road, the entrance to the village of Saffarin, the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to 'Attil plain, and the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa.

• Checkpoints:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city).
- (ii) The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) and prevented civilians under 30 years of age from leaving the city.
- <u>Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of 'Attil and Deir al Ghusun and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 18:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the villages of Bizzariya and Ramin and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 19:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Al Jarushiya and searched civilians and vehicles.

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	 Raids: At 21:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Beit Lid. At 22:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Kafr al Labad.
QALQILIYA	 Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. 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 levelling for Wall construction was resumed in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. Flying Checkpoint: At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids/Attack/Injury/Medical Obstruction: At 10:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Azzun. At 19:15, the Israeli army raided the town again. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 1 child. The Israeli army also detained an ambulance as well as medics' ID cards, while they were attempting to offer first aid to the injured child. At 20:20, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
NABLUS	 Closure of Main Roads: 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. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: Huwwara and Beit Iba checkpoints (set up at the southern and western entrances to the city of Nablus respectively) are closed at 23:00. The Israeli army only allows civilian vehicles possessing access permits to cross these checkpoints. The Israeli army also searches civilians using metal detectors at Beit Iba checkpoint, thereby impeding their access. At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jirzim 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. Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30.

- (iv) 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 ash Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only allowing access to humanitarian cases.
- (v) At 09:45, the Israeli army closed Huwwara checkpoint and denied civilian access, after having arrested a child, ostensibly for locating explosives in his possession. At 10:00, the Israeli army reopened the checkpoint.
- (vi) The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Al Badhan checkpoint and impeded civilian access.
- **Flying Checkpoint:** At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the villages of Al Badhan and Talluza and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

- (i) At 18:30, the Israeli army raided the village of An Nassariya and arrested 1 civilian.
- (ii) At 00:15, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the city of Nablus and Balata refugee camp and searched 2 houses in the refugee camp. At 03:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- (iii) At 00:40, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the village of Talluza, searched 1 house, and served a summons to Omar Rateb Salahat to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
- (iv) The Israeli army raided the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya and served a summons to Ala' ad Din Ali Jarar'ah to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.

• Arrests:

- (i) At 11:30, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested Bilal Abdullah at Turk, a Palestinian National Security officer.
- (ii) Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested Jihad Mahir ash Shalabi, 17 years old.
- (iii) The Israeli army arrested Talah Ali Balawneh in the village of An Nassariya.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army has continued to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current *Intifada* (Uprising).
- (ii) 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 ad Dik.

• Checkpoints:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to impede civilian access.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was resumed 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 Ari'el.

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Flying Checkpoints: At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to (i) the village of Marda and searched civilians and vehicles. At 18:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area (ii) between the city of Salfit and the town of Brugin and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 08:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Haris. Confrontations (i) took place between the Israeli army and civilians. (ii) At 20:45, the Israeli army raided the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 23:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. At 22:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the town of Deir (iii) Istiya and patrolled the area until 22:45. At 03:45, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Salfit, set up a (iv) checkpoint along the road to the village of Iskaka, and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army also patrolled the area and withdrew at 05:30. 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:** (i) 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 connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah. **JERICHO** (ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army closed the DCO checkpoint set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho, after a number of children burnt wheel tyres along the road. At 13:30, the Israeli army reopened the checkpoint. **Flying Checkpoints:** At 14:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along Al (i) Mu'arrajat road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah and searched civilians and vehicles. At 14:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to (ii) the settlement of Vered Yericho and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 18:40, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Al 'Auja and patrolled the area. Closure: 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. **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 # 60.

• <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was resumed in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr, northwest of the city of Beit Jala, and in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Efrat.

• Raids/Detentions:

- (i) At 14:05, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the city of Bethlehem and detained a bus transporting school students. The Israeli army also arrested 8 students between 15 and 17 years of age.
- (ii) At 17:30, an Israeli army patrol raided 'Ayda refugee camp in the city of Bethlehem and took position near the refugee camp's cemetery.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 8 children in the city of Bethlehem:
- (i) Mohammed Saleh al Jahalin;
- (ii) Huthayfah Jabr;
- (iii) Qutaybah Jabr;
- (iv) Mohammed 'Isa al Ja'fari;
- (v) Mohammed Mousa Nassar;
- (vi) Mohammed Basem 'Ilayyan;
- (vii) Ramzi Nassar; and
- (viii) 'Isa Fat'hi Hammash.
- Attack on Property: On 29 January 2007, the Israeli army issued an order for cessation of the construction of a 50-squre-metre house and a 100-metre-long cement wall in the village of Wadi Rahhal, claiming that they were being built without the required construction licence.
- <u>Demonstration</u>: At 13:15, a demonstration, including school students, took place in 'Ayda refugee camp in protest against the Israeli army's land levelling near Bab al Maghariba leading to Al Aqsa Mosque compound. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians near Bilal Bin Rabah Mosque (Rachel's Tomb).

• Closure:

- (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.
- (ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from travelling 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 area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul; 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 to the village of Al Jab'a; the entrance to the village of Beit 'Einun; and the eastern entrance to the village of

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- Kharsa. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp.
- (ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling 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.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was resumed in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, the remaining section of the Wall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of Ar Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp and searched civilians and vehicles. Confrontations took place between civilians and Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint.
- (ii) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Ummar and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Attack: At 12:10, the Israeli army opened fire towards civilians in the area
 of Bab az Zawiya in the city of Hebron, claiming that a number of children
 threw stones at Israeli troops positioned at the entrance to Ash Shuhada'
 Street.

• Raids:

- (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian.
- (ii) At 13:50, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura and searched 1 house. At 20:30, the Israeli army raided the town again, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian. The Israeli army also set up a checkpoint at the town's entrance and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Arrests:

- (i) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Hisham al Ja'bari in the city of Hebron.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested Dhiya' Ahmed 'Amr in the town of Dura.
- <u>Demonstration</u>: At 14:00, a mass demonstration took place in the city of Hebron in protest against the Israeli army's land levelling near Bab al Maghariba leading to Al Aqsa Mosque compound.

GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS

• The ceasefire agreement that entered into force at 06:00 on 26 November 2006 remains effective. However, the Israeli army opened fire towards shepherds, injuring 1 civilian. Israeli combat helicopters also patrolled the skies over Palestinian territory. In addition, armed Palestinian individuals fired 2 mortars towards the Green Line, of which 1 mortar landed on Palestinian territory.

NORTHERN GAZA	 <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open only to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases. <u>Palestinian Attack</u>: At 06:30, armed Palestinian individuals fired 1 unidentified mortar towards the Green Line, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement.
GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Points: Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Palestinian Attack: At 01:15, in violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, armed Palestinian individuals fired 1 mortar towards the Green Line.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	• Attack/Injury: At 11:20, in violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, the Israeli army opened fire from the area near Point 147 on the Green Line towards a number of shepherds east of the area of Al Qarara, resulting in the injury of 1 civilian.
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah Crossing is closed. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed. Air Patrol: At 22:50, Israeli combat helicopters patrolled the skies over the area surrounding Sufa Crossing, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement.