# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



# PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

#### 08:00 12 March 2004 - 08:00 13 March 2004

#### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths		2	2	
Physical Assault	1		1	
Injuries	3		3	Incl. deaf child
Attacks	9	3	12	Incl. on university students
Raids	27		27	
Arrests (per person)	6	5	11	
Detention		1	1	
Land Levelling		2	2	15 dunums
Curfew	1		1	
Checkpoints	All		All	
Flying Checkpoints	6		6	
Closures (per District)	3	2	5	
Closure of Main Roads	Most	(5)	Most	Esp. connecting governorates
Closure of Wall Gates	All		All	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points		3	3	1 Partially open to workers
Settler Violence	1		1	4 yr. old child run over
Religious Sites	1		1	
Demonstration	1		1	Against separation wall
TOTAL	59	18	77	

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## WEST BANK

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JERUSALEM	<ul> <li><u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army continues to impose a strict closure on Jerusalem and to prevent residents from other districts from entering Jerusalem. The Israeli army prevented worshipers from reaching Al Aqsa Mosque for Friday prayers.</li> <li><u>Separation Wall Construction</u>:         <ol> <li>Separation wall construction in Al Eizariya, Abu Dis, Al Sawahira and Sur Bahir was suspended for the weekend.</li> <li>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.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul> <li>Flying Checkpoints: At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Jilijliya and obstructed traffic flow.</li> <li>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 for the weekend.</li> <li>Raids: <ul> <li>(i) At 15:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr 'Ein.</li> <li>(ii) At 22:50, and again at 01:00, an Israeli army jeep raided the village of Deir Ghassana and patrolled the area.</li> <li>(iii) At 11:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Bir Zeit and opened fire towards students</li> <li>(iv) At 12:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Dura Al Qira and arrested 4 civilians.</li> <li>(v) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr 'Ein, opened fire and fired sound bombs towards civilians.</li> <li>Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in Dura Al Qira:</li> <li>(i) Manur Sami;</li> <li>(ii) Raf' Qasim; and</li> <li>(iv) Tha'er Hasan</li> </ul> </li> <li>Demonstration: At 13:00, a demonstration took place in the village of Al Midya in protest against the continued construction of the separation wall. Brief confrontations erupted with the Israeli army.</li> </ul>

JENIN	<ul> <li><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.</li> <li><u>Separation Wall Construction</u>: Construction of the separation wall south of Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida and towards the Jordan River was suspended for the weekend.</li> <li><u>Raid</u>: At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Ya'bad and took position inside the town until 09:00, preventing students from Ya'bad Secondary School from reaching their school.</li> </ul>
JERICHO	Activities not yet reported.
BETHLEHEM	<ul> <li><u>Closure:</u> <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to surround the village of Husan and impose curfew.</li> <li>The Israeli army closed the southern, northern and western entrances to the city of Bethlehem leading to the western villages and the city of Hebron.</li> </ol> </li> <li><u>Attack</u>: At 12:30, the Israeli army surrounded the Bilal Bin Rabah Mosque and fired tear gas grenades towards civilian houses in Al 'Azza refugee camp.</li> <li><u>Raids</u>: <ol> <li>At 10:30, an Israeli jeep raided the town of Dar Salah, set up a flying checkpoint and obstructed civilian movement.</li> <li>At 12:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Husan, raided the Abu Baker Mosque, fired sound bombs and rubber coated steel bullets towards worshippers, injuring several civilians, and imposed curfew.</li> <li>At 13:25, the Israeli army raided the city of Beit Jala and Bethlehem and opened fire towards civilians near the Jasir Palace checkpoint, injuring Hasan Nawawra, a 17-year-old deaf child.</li> <li>At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem and arrested 2 civilians.</li> </ol> </li> <li><u>Arrests</u>: The Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem: <ol> <li>Hamza Zawahra; and</li> <li>Ibrahim Zawahra.</li> </ol> </li> <li><u>Settler Violence</u>: At 10:30, an Israeli settler ran over Asma Hussein, a 4 year old child, in the town of Tuqu'. The girl was later hospitalised for her injuries.</li> </ul>

TULKAREM	<ul> <li>Flying Checkpoints: <ul> <li>At 17:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of Illar and obstructed civilian movement.</li> <li>At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Zeita and obstructed civilian movement.</li> <li>At 11:20, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the cities of Deir Ghusun and Al Jarushiya.</li> </ul> </li> <li>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.</li> <li>Physical Assault: At 16:30, Israeli soldiers severely beat Khalil Ju'emis, a 34-year-old civilian, at Al Kafriyat checkpoint. He was later hospitalised for injuries sustained during the attack.</li> <li>Attack: At 17:00, the Israeli army, positioned at Al Kafriyat checkpoint, opened indiscriminate fire.</li> <li>Raids: <ul> <li>At 19:00, several Israeli jeeps raided the city of Tulkarem and its suburbs. The Israeli army raided the city another 3 times.</li> <li>At 17:30, and again at 12:00, Israeli army jeeps raided the village of Tulkarem and took position at its northern entrance.</li> <li>At 16:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Nazlat Isa and took position in a civilian house.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
NABLUS	• <u>Attack</u> : At 01:10, the Israeli army opened fire from its location in Jabal Al Tur towards civilian houses in Al Dahiya neighbourhood in Nablus city.	
HEBRON	• Activities not yet reported.	
QALQILYA	<ul> <li><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.</li> <li><u>Attack</u>: At 20:30, Israeli soldiers, positioned at the separation wall gate near the village of Habla, opened fire towards civilians and injured Tha'er Odeh Al Dalq, a 26 year old civilian.</li> </ul>	
SALFIT	• <b><u>Raid</u></b> : At 11:30, 3 Israeli jeeps raided the city of Salfit. At 22:55, the Israeli army again raided the city and searched several houses.	

## GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul> <li><u>Closure</u>:         <ul> <li>The Erez crossing was partially open to workers over 35 years old.</li> <li>At 10:20, the Israeli army closed all entrances, except Al Wali Salih gate, leading to agricultural land near the settlement of Dokeet. The Israeli army demanded that all farmers apply for a magnetic ID card in order to be permitted into the closed area north of Beit Lahiya.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
GAZA CITY	<ul> <li><u>Closure</u>: The junction of Nitsareem remains closed.</li> <li><u>Attack</u>: At 03:50, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Point 75 towards Palestinian Territory east of Gaza city, killing 2 civilians.</li> <li><u>Raid/Land Levelling</u>: At 10:30, the Israeli army, including 2 tanks and 2 bulldozers, raided Al Mintar crossing, entering 300 meters into Palestinian Territory, and levelled land in the area.</li> <li><u>Killing</u>: The Israeli army killed 2 civilians east of Gaza city:         <ol> <li>Muhammad Habush; and</li> <li>Sa'id Mureish.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul> <li><u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army closed Al Mintar crossing.</li> <li><u>Raid</u>: At 13:00, the Israeli army, accompanied by several bulldozers, raided the area east of Al Bureij refugee camp and levelled 15 <i>dunums</i> (3.75 acres) of olive groves.</li> </ul>
KHAN YUNIS	<ul> <li><u>Closures</u>:         <ul> <li>Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) remains closed.</li> <li>Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed.</li> <li>Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) was closed.</li> <li>Abu Holi road was partially open.</li> </ul> </li> <li><u>Attack</u>: At 21:45, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Point 173 towards civilian houses east of Al Khuza'a.</li> </ul>
RAFAH	<ul> <li><u>Closure</u>: The Gaza International Airport remains closed.</li> <li><u>Raid/Land Levelling</u>: At 02:45, the Israeli army, including 6 APCs, 13 jeeps, and 2 bulldozers, and supported by helicopters, entered from Point 5, raided Al Salaam neighbourhood, levelled land 200 meters into Palestinian Territory, opened intensive fire towards civilians, detained a number of civilians and arrested 5 others. At 11:35, the Israeli army levelled another section of land in the area.</li> </ul>

• (i) (ii) (iii) (iv)	Mansur Abu Zurei'an;
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(v)	Mansur Abu Zurei'an; and
(vi)	Bassam Abu Zurei'an.