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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 19 February 2004 – 08:00 20 February 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	4	—	4	Incl. 4 children & 1 female
Attacks	6	5	11	
Raids	22	2	24	
Arrests (per person)	23	—	23	Incl. 1 youth & 3 officers
House Demolitions	(Dem. Notice)	—	—	3 houses & 6 shelters
Separation Wall Const.	9	—	9	Jer. (2), Jenin (3) & Ram. (4)
Curfew	1	—	1	
Checkpoints	All	—	All	
Flying Checkpoints	13	—	13	
Closures (per District)	2	—	2	Jerusalem & isolation of Salfit
Closure of Main Roads	Most	(4)	Most	
Closure of Wall Gates	All	—	All	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	3	3	1 Partially open to workers
Religious Sites	1	—	1	Raid on mosque in Nablus
TOTAL	81	10	91	

DISTRICT	EVENT
WEST BANK	
JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army prevented civilians from other districts from entering Jerusalem. The Israeli authorities continue to intensify restrictions on movement at the entrances of the city and its neighbourhoods. • Separation Wall Construction: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Construction of the separation wall was resumed in Al Eizariya, Abu Dis, Al Sawahira and Sur Bahir. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the only road leading to the village of Sur Bahir, restricting access to a dairy factory and a cement factory in the village. The closure of the road has also prevented engineers from accessing a waste water pump in the area requiring daily maintenance and serving as the only irrigation source for agricultural land in the area. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 00:45, the Israeli army, including 30 jeeps, raided Qalandiya refugee camp, searched several houses and arrested 1 civilian. (ii) The Israeli army raided Dahiyat Beit Hanina, searched 1 house after using explosives to break into the house and arrested 1 civilian. • Arrests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested Muhammad Al Abdi in Qalandiya refugee camp. (ii) The Israeli army arrested 22-year-old Faraj Mislamani in Dahiyat Beit Hanina.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flying Checkpoint: At 10:25, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one near the town of Al Tayba and the other under Deir Dibwan Bridge. • Separation Wall Construction: Construction of the western portion of the separation wall was resumed in Budrus, Rantis, Beit Liqya, near Beituniya and near the village of Midya. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 07:10, 3 Israeli jeeps raided the towns of Beit Rima and Deir Ghassana and raided 2 schools, leading to confrontations between students and the Israeli army and injuring 3 children. (ii) At 11:45, and again at 18:00, 3 Israeli army jeeps raided the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid and searched 1 house. (iii) At 04:20, 1 Israeli jeep raided the village of Kafr 'Ein and fired sound bombs. (iv) The Israeli army raided the town of Kafr Ni'ma, searched 1 house and

	<p>arrested 1 civilian.</p> <p>(v) The Israeli army raided the village of Deir Ammar, searched 1 house and arrested 1 civilian.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Injuries: The Israeli army injured 3 children aged between 15 to 17 years old by rubber coated steel bullets in Deir Ghassana. • Arrests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested 23-year-old Abdul Jawad ad Dik in the town of Kafr Ni'ma. (ii) The Israeli army arrested 24-year-old Iyad Filfil in the village of Deir Ammar.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Separation Wall Construction: Construction of the separation wall was resumed in the northern valleys (Bardala, and 'Ein al Beida) and east of Tubas (Al Mutilla, Al Mughayyir, the outskirts of Raba, and Al Buqei' plateau). • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Jadida, searched 1 house and arrested 2 civilians - a father and his daughter. (ii) At 05:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Bir al Basha, searched 1 house and arrested 1 Palestinian National Security officer. • Arrests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested Jamil Zaqrug and his 20-year-old daughter, Ghadir, a college student, in the village of Al Jadida. (ii) The Israeli army arrested Muhammad Turkman in the village of Bir al Basha.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of the villages of Al Khas and Al Nu'man. • Attack: At 22:55, the Israeli army opened fire sporadically from its location in Bilal Bin Rabah mosque towards Ayda refugee camp. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 23:30, 2 Israeli jeeps raided the city of Bethlehem and took position in the western part of the city for a short period of time. (ii) At 07:40, the Israeli army, including 20 jeeps and 2 detainee carriers, raided Beit Sahur (Area A), imposed curfew, occupied the rooftops of several houses, surrounded 6 houses, evacuated residents and searched the houses, and arrested 6 civilians, including 2 brothers, before

	<p>withdrawing at 09:30.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 6 civilians in Beit Sahur: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mahmoud Adarba; (ii) Muhammad Darwish; (iii) Ghassan Abu Khiran; (iv) Salah Al Hamouri; (v) Na'el Harماس; and his brother (vi) Nadir Harماس.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of the village of Far'un and arrested 1 Palestinian General Intelligence officer. (ii) At 20:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the town of Deir Ghusun and the village of Al Jarushiya, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs. (iii) At 21:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the towns of Deir Ghusun and Attil, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs. • 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. • Attack: At 19:45, the Israeli army opened fire at a civilian vehicle from its location at the Enav iron gate. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:00, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem refugee camp, searched several houses and arrested 3 civilians. (ii) At 18:30, and again at 03:00 and 03:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and fired sound bombs near Al Khaduri University. (iii) At 02:45, the Israeli army, including 2 military personnel carriers and 8 jeeps, raided Tulkarem refugee camp and took position. • Arrests: <p>The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in Tulkarem refugee camp:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mahmoud Rakan; (ii) Khaled Fahd; and (iii) Fathi Rabi. <p>The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian at a flying checkpoint near Al Far'un:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iv) Ziyad Ibsharat, a Palestinian General Intelligence officer.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raid / Raid on Religious Site: The Israeli army, heavily reinforced, raided the eastern neighbourhoods of Nablus city and Balata refugee camp, opened indiscriminate fire and fired tear gas grenades towards the refugee

	<p>camp, injuring 1 female by live fire to the chest and 1 child as a result of tear gas inhalation. The Israeli army also raided 1 mosque.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Injuries:</u> The Israeli army injured 2 civilians in Balata refugee camp: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Sana Duweikat, 38 years old; and (ii) Jamil Hashash, 17 years old. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 11:40, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians at Huwwara checkpoint: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Bilal Atiya; and (ii) Amjad Bani Shamsiya
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>House Demolition Warnings:</u> The Israeli army warned 3 families in the city of Hebron that their houses will be demolished due to their proximity to the settlements of Kiryat Arba and Harsina, and warned 6 families east of the town of Yatta that their tents and shelters will be demolished. • <u>Raid:</u> The Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, searched 1 house and severely beat 3 civilians within the house before arresting them. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in Hebron: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Iyad Al Qawasmi, 30 years old; (ii) Yusif Al Sakafi, 31 years old; and (iii) Amjad Nirukh.
<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILYA</p>	<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>Raid:</u> At 00:20, the Israeli army, including 1 military personnel carrier and 6 jeeps, raided the city of Qalqiliya, searched 2 houses and arrested 1 Palestinian National Security officer. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested 23-year-old Taqi Al Ju'eidi in Qalqilya.
<p style="text-align: center;">SALFIT</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iii) Since early morning, the Israeli army set up 6 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the villages of Haris, Yasuf, Kifl Haris, Qarawat Bani Hassan and at the junction of Wadi Qana, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs. (iv) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the villages of Rafat and Al Zawiya and closed the road, preventing civilians from crossing the checkpoint. • <u>Closure:</u> At 08:10, the Israeli army closed the permanent checkpoint of Deir Ballut (separating the central districts from the northern district and the city of Salfit from its western neighbourhoods) until 14:00. Students and workers were not able to cross the checkpoint.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Erez crossing was partially open to workers.
GAZA CITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The junction of Nitsareem remains closed. (ii) Al Muntar crossing (Karni) is closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<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) Khan Yunis/Al Mawasi road, Al Tuffah checkpoint, remains closed (isolating residential areas). • Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:10, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Kissufim settlement towards the south. (ii) At 21:30, and again at 21:45, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Point 8 towards Al Amal neighbourhood. (iii) At 21:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Point 12 towards civilian houses in Al Nimsawi neighbourhood. (iv) At 00:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Point 10 towards civilian houses in West Khan Yunis refugee camp. • Raid: At 12:00, the Israeli army, including 1 tank, 5 jeeps and 1 bulldozer, raided Palestinian Territory 500 meters south of Al Matahin.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Gaza International Airport remains closed. • Attack: At 00:40, the Israeli army, including 7 APCs, 9 jeeps and 3 bulldozers, entered 30 meters into Yabna refugee camp from Point 8 and built dirt mounds on the road before withdrawing at 03:00.

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<p>Hunger Strike: Palestinian detainees in Ketziot (Naqab) Military Prison Camp declared an open-ended hunger strike in protest against a tear gas attack by Israeli soldiers at a number of prisoners while being transported to military court, leading to 20 prisoners suffering injuries due to tear gas inhalation.</p>
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