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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 24 March 2010 – 08:00 25 March 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	—	2	2	Incl. a civilian in a critical condition
Attacks		3	3	Incl. 1 in a raid and 1 from a mil. post
Raids	7	1	8	Incl. 4 in Hebron and 1 in Northern Gaza
Arrests (per person)	9	15	24	Incl. a child and a Pal. Security officer
Detentions	13	—	13	Incl. school teachers in Tubas
Wall Construction	22	_	22	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Qalqiliya
Destruction of Property	2		2	A house door and glass window broken
Confiscation of Property	1		1	Pal. security officer's ID card, Nablus
Closure of Checkpoints	8	—	8	Incl. access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	13		13	Incl. 2 in Qalqiliya and 4 in Nablus
Closure (per District)	7		7	Incl. Nu'man and Mazmuriya villages
Closure of Main Roads	40	—	40	Incl. 4 in Bethlehem and 14 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points		4	4	3 crossing points partially open
School Disruption	1	_	1	Classes disrupted at a school in Hebron
Settler Violence	1		1	A civilian house attacked in Jerusalem
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	Access denied to a Pal. security officer
TOTAL	125	25	150	

DISTRICT

EVENTS

WEST BANK

 Closurg: (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and to set up flying checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqaa Mosque compound. (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. Che 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:

RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 <u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: 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. On 15 March 2010, the Israeli army issued a military order, providing that the area located between civilian houses and the Wall in the town of Ni'lin and the village of Bil'in would be a closed military zone between 08:00 and 20:00 on Fridays for a period of 6 months. To prevent weekly demonstrations against Wall construction, civilian access to the area will be denied except with a special permit. <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues west of the town of 'Abud; in the village of Bil'in; and in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.
JENIN	 <u>Closure of Main Road</u>: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. <u>Wall Gates</u>: 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	 <u>Checkpoint</u>: 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. <u>Detentions</u>: At 15:25, Israeli troops positioned at Tayasir checkpoint detained a number of school teachers, while they were returning to their houses in the city of Tubas, and released them after coordination the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
TULKAREM	 <u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: 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. <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarem-Nablus main road. <u>Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
QALQILYA	 <u>Closure of Roads</u>: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. <u>Flving Checkpoints</u>: (i) At 09:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of An Nabi Elyas on the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 14:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of 'Izbat at Tabib and searched civilians and vehicles. <u>Wall Gates</u>:

	(ii) At 08:30, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the Wall gate to the village of Ras 'Atiya and thoroughly searched female civilians.
	 <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.
	• <u>Closure of Main Roads</u> :
	(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
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	(ii) 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
	(iii) entrance to An Naqura village opposite Shavei Shomron settlement.
	(iii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut and the road connecting the town of
	'Aqraba to the village of Osarin.
	<u>Checkpoints</u> : The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing
	checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:
	(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
NABLUS	through the checkpoint.
TADLOS	• Flying Checkpoints:
	(i) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to
	the town of Beit Furik, detained as well as interrogated a number of
	civilians, and released them at a later time. At 07:35, the Israeli army set
	up another flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(ii) At 10:35, 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 until 12:00.
	(iii) At 14:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the town of
	Huwwara hand searched civilians and vehicles until 15:30.
	• Raid: At 09:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of An
	Naqura.
	• Arrest: On 16 March 2010, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara
	checkpoint arrested Saber Saleh Mohammed Thabet.
	• Provocation of Palestinian Forces: On 23 March 2010, Israeli troops
	positioned at Huwwara checkpoint detained Mohammed Mousa Suleiman
	Subhi, a Palestinian National Security officers, while he was travelling to
	his workplace in the city of Nablus. Having seized his ID card, Israeli
	troops forced Subhi to return to the city of Jericho and receive his ID from
	the Jericho DCO offices.

 <u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit. 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. <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint. <u>Flving Checkpoint</u>: At 19:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the western entrance to the town of Deir Istiya and searched civilians and vehicles until 20:10. <u>Arrest</u>: At 17:50, Israeli troops positioned at the Za'tara junction checkpoint arrested Nathem Mohammed Khalil 'Ubeid. <u>Wall Construction</u>: 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.
 <u>Closure</u>: 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. At 10:00, the Israeli army installed an iron gate on the road. <u>Checkpoints</u>: (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. <u>Flving Checkpoints</u>:
 <u>Closure</u>: (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.

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	 (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; a road east of the town of Beit Fajjar; and an agricultural road connecting the town of Tuqu' to the village of Khirbet al Baq'a. Raids: At 12:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the evacuated military post of 'Ush Ghurab east of the city of Beit Sahur. 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 Efrat settlement; and in the area surrounding Al Walaja.
	• <u>Closure</u> :
	 (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. In addition to closing the entrance to Al Laban Market with iron plates, the Israeli army 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, controlling civilian access in the area. (ii) Having evacuated civilian residents and denied civilian access, the Israeli army continues to close the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta.
	<u>Closure of Main Roads</u> :
HEBRON	 (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 Checkpoints: At 10:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at
	the entrance to the town of Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles.
	 <u>Raids/School Disruption</u>: (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Ar Rihiya and took
	position near the village's secondary school, forcing the principal to disrupt classes to avoid confrontations between students and troops.

(ii) At 17:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a
checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. At
02:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city again.
(iii) At 02:25, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura and arrested 4
civilians, including 3 brothers.
• <u>Arrests</u> : At 10:30, Israeli troops arrested 2 civilians, including a child, near
the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron, claiming that knives had
been located in their possession:
(i) Mohammed Fares al Qasrawi, 17 years old; and
(ii) Seif Mohammed Tareq al Qasrawi.
The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the town of Dura:
(iii) Hasan Mohammed Nassr;
(iv) Mohammed Yousef Abu 'Arqoub;
(v) Usamah Yousef Abu 'Arqoub; and
(vi) Sami Yousef Abu 'Arqoub.
• 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

ALL DISTRICTS	 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>: The Israeli army raided Palestinian territory, opened intensive fire, and arrested 15 civilians, including children, in the district of Northern Gaza. Israeli troops opened fire from their location on the Green Line towards a number of civilians in the eastern Rafah district. The Israeli navy opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the As Sudaniya beach in the district of Northern Gaza. Israeli attacks resulted in the injury of 2 civilians, including one who was a critical health condition.
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NORTHERN GAZA	 <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously-coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals. <u>Attack</u>: In the morning of 25 March 2010, the Israeli navy opened intensive fire towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the As Sudaniya beach west of the town of Beit Lahiya, injuring Hazem Jum'ah al Qar'an, a fisherman.
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	 <u>Raid/Attack</u>: In the morning of 24 March 2010, the Israeli army, including several armoured vehicles, raided Palestinian territory northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya, surrounded as well as opened fire towards a number of civilians, including children, and arrested 15 civilians. <u>Arrests</u>: The Israeli army arrested 15 unidentified civilians northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya.
GAZA	 <u>Closure of Crossing Points</u>: Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	Activities not reported.
RAFAH	 <u>Closure of Crossing Points</u>: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is open on an exceptional basis to allow access to 283 ill civilians, who had received medical attention at Egyptian hospitals. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for transportation of food supplies, humanitarian aid, diesel allocated for the Gaza Electricity Generation Station, and cooking gas. <u>Attack</u>: In the morning of 25 March 2010, the Israeli army opened fire from its location on the Green Line towards a number of civilians in the area surrounding Sufa Crossing northeast of the city of Rafah, leaving Naji Suleiman Abu Reidah with critical injuries.

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	 <u>Sentences</u>: The military court at Salem Military Detention and Interrogation Centre issued the following sentences against political prisoners: Ahmed al Khatib to 18 months in prison; and Ra'fat Sanawbar to 5 months in prison. The court also extended orders of administrative detention (arrest without charge or trial) against 11 prisoners for various period. It also postponed the trial sessions of 21 other prisoners.
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• <u>Sentences</u> : The military court at 'Ofar Military Detention and Interrogation Centre issued the following sentences against political prisoners:
(i) Hikmat Ali Karam Talahmeh, a resident of the city of Hebron, to 10
months in prison as well as a fine of NIS 2,000 (approximately USD
540).
(ii) Mohammed Ibrahim Salah, a resident of the town of Al Khadr in the
district of Bethlehem, to 21 months in prison as well as a fine of NIS
2,000 (approximately USD 540).
(iii) 'Atallah Abu 'Eideh, a resident of the town of Za'tara in the district of
Bethlehem, to 3 months in prison.
The court also put off the trial session for another 5 prisoners for various
periods.
• Extension of Administrative Detention: The Israeli authorities extended
orders of administrative detention against Lu'ay al Ahmar, a resident of
'Ayda refugee camp in the city of Bethlehem, for a period of 4 months for
the 5 th consecutive times.