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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 05 February 2010 – 08:00 06 February 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	_	1	A civilian severely beaten in Nablus
Attacks	3	2	5	Incl. 1 from a post and 1 by navy boats
Raids	20	_	20	Incl. 4 in Tulkarem and 3 in Qalqiliya
Arrests (per person)	3	_	3	Incl. a Palestinian security officer
Detentions	13	_	13	Incl. 1 child and 2 security officers
Wall Construction	21	_	21	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Qalqiliya
Destruction of Property	1	_	1	A sheep pen demolished in Jenin
Closure of Checkpoints	8	_	8	Incl. access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	13	_	13	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem and 3 in Qalqiliya
Closure (per District)	7	_	7	Incl. Nu'man and Mazmuriya villages
Closure of Main Roads	39	_	39	Incl. 1 in Qalqiliya and 9 in Nablus
Closure of Crossing Points		5	5	3 crossing points partially open
Settler Violence	3	_	3	Gaining access into residential locales
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	_	1	Taking position near Pal. Police station
Demonstrations	4	_	4	Incl. against settlement activity & Wall
TOTAL	137	7	144	

DISTRICT EVENTS

WEST BANK

Closure:

- (i) On 05 February 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:

- (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.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: 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.
- Arrest: At 13:40, Israeli troops positioned at Qalandiya checkpoint arrested Mahmoud Ibrahim al Qatri, claiming that he had attempted to stab a soldier.
- <u>Demonstration</u>: At 14:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the Ash Sheikh Jarrah neighbourhood in the city of Jerusalem in protest against settlement activity and against Israeli settlers' seizure of civilian houses.

• 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.

JERUSALEM

	• 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.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 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. Raids: At 22:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Sinjil. At 01:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Mazra'a al Qibliya and served a summons to a civilian to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. Settler Violence: At 11:35, a group of Israeli settlers gained access to the outskirts of the At Tira neighbourhood in the city of Ramallah. Consequently, the Israeli army evacuated settlers from the area. Demonstrations/Attacks/Injuries: At 12:30, 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 a number of participants as a result of tear gas inhalation. At 12:30, a mass demonstration took place in the villages of Deir Nidham and An Nabi Salih in protest against Israeli settler violence and land confiscation for expansion of the settlement of Halamish. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army wounded a number of civilians 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.
JENIN	 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. Raids/Attack: At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp, patrolled these areas, opened indiscriminate fire, and withdrew at 06:00. Settler Violence: At 12:50, and under protection of Israeli troops, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Mevo Dotan gained access to the village of Khirbet al Hamam near the settlement. Israeli settlers demolished a sheep pen belonging to Mohammed Mahmoud Jalouli and withdrew at 14:45. 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	• <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.
TULKAREM	 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. Raids: At 23:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Zeita. At 00:05, the Israeli army raided the town of Bal'a and served summons to 2 civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. At 00:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Anabta. At 01:15, the Israeli army raided Nur Shams refugee camp in the city of
	Tulkarem, searched 1 house, and served a summons to a civilian to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. • Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
QALQILYA	 Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. Flying Checkpoints: At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of 'Izbat at Tabib and searched civilians and vehicles. At 14:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint underneath the overpass to the town of 'Azzun on the Qalqiliya-Tulkarem main road and searched civilians and vehicles. At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Immatin and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids/Detention: At 10:10, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Azzun and the village of 'Asla and patrolled these areas until 12:30. At 18:30, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Azzun, patrolled the area, detained a child, and released him after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). Wall Gate: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a detector. Wall Construction: 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	Closure of Main Roads: (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 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. • Checkpoints: 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 through the checkpoint. • Physical Assault: Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint severely beat Mohammed Nayef Yaseen, leaving him with contusions. At 17:10, Yaseen was admitted to the Nablus Governmental Hospital for medical treatment. • Raid: At 23:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beita.
SALFIT	 Closure of Main Roads: 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. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint. 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	 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. At 10:00, the Israeli army installed an iron gate on the road. Checkpoints: 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 Checkpoints:

- (i) At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 15:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to the village of Al 'Auja and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Closure:

- (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 *dunums* (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.
- <u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: 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.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the area of An Nashash (the southern entrance to the city of Bethlehem) and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 17:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Battir and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:

- (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the evacuated military post of 'Ush Ghurab east of the city of Beit Sahur, provided protection to a group of Israeli settlers, and withdrew at 11:00.
- (ii) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Fajjar, took position near a Palestinian Police station, and patrolled the area until 02:40.
- <u>Detentions</u>: At 14:00, Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint detained 3 Palestinian National Security officers. Having released 2 officers, Israeli troops arrested a National Security officer. It should be noted that the arrested officer had been "wanted" by the Israeli authorities, but was included under a pardon.
- <u>Arrest</u>: Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint arrested Bassam Anwar al Finou,.
- <u>Demonstration</u>: At 12:30, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Al Ma'sara against Wall construction. Israeli troops obstructed the demonstration and denied access to protestors to land under the threat of confiscation for Wall construction.

BETHLEHEM

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. **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. 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. On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued Military Order # 09/06/S (ii) 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:** The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to (i) 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 **HEBRON** 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:** (i) At 13:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Beit 'Einun and searched civilians and vehicles until 15:30. At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to (ii) the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles. At 21:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of (iii) Imreish and searched civilians and vehicles. At 23:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Khirbet (i) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron. (ii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Beit 'Einun and patrolled (iii) the area until 03:30. At 02:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beit Ula.

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- Arrest: On 05 February 2010, the Israeli army arrested Diya' Rizq as Salaymeh, a resident of the old city of Hebron, while he was reporting to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: 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

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. Violation of the Ceasefire: The Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of Az Zaytoun

• <u>Violation of the Ceasefire</u>: The Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of Az Zaytoun neighbourhood southeast of Gaza city. The Israeli navy also opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the As Sudaniya beach in the district of Northern Gaza.

Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously-coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals. **NORTHERN** Attack: In the morning of 06 February 2010, the Israeli navy opened fire GAZA intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the As Sudaniya beach west of the town of Beit Lahiya. **Closure of Crossing Points**: (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January (ii) 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision. **GAZA** Attack: In the evening of 05 February 2010, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location on the Green Line towards agricultural land east of Az Zaytun neighbourhood southeast of Gaza city. **CENTRAL** Activities not reported. **GAZA KHAN YUNIS** Activities not reported.

• Closure of Crossing Points:

- (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.
- (ii) Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is closed.
- **RAFAH** (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed.
 - (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is open on an exceptional basis for transportation of diesel allocated for the Gaza Electricity Generation Station and cooking gas.

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS

• <u>Death</u>: The Palestinian Minister of Detainees' and Released Detainees' Affairs held the Israeli government responsible for the death of Mohammed Abdul 'Afu al 'Amleh, a released political prisoner and resident of the town of Beit Ula in the district of Hebron. Confirming that the Palestinian Ministry of Detainees' and Released Detainees' Affairs will establish a committee to investigate causes of Al 'Amleh's death, the Minister also held liable the World Health Organisation because it has not established a fact-finding mission to uncover reasons behind the death of Palestinian political prisoners, after they are released from Israeli prisons. The Israeli army had arrested Al 'Amleh in 2004. While imprisoned, he suffered from a kidney failure and was admitted to the Ar Ramla Prison Hospital on several occasions, but did not receive proper medical attention. After he had been released in 2007, Al 'Amleh had a kidney transplant operation at a hospital in Jordan in 2009. His father donated his kidney to him.