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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 12 February 2010 – 08:00 13 February 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	1		1	A civilian in the old city of Hebron
Physical Assault	1	_	1	A civilian severely beaten, Bethlehem
Injury	1	_	1	A female civilian in Ramallah
Attacks	6	4	10	Incl. 9 tank shells fired on Central Gaza
Raids	15	1	16	Incl. 3 in Ramallah and 4 in Nablus
Air Patrols	_	2	2	By helicopters and reconnaissance aircraft
Arrests (per person)	6	_	6	Incl. a security officer and a student
Detentions	14	_	14	Incl. a Palestinian Police officer
Wall Construction	22	_	22	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Qalqiliya
Destruction of Property	1	_	1	Forest trees cut down in Tulkarem
Closure of Checkpoints	8	_	8	Incl. access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	25	_	25	Incl. 4 in Jerusalem and 8 in Qalqiliya
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	_	6	6	Only Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing open
Settler Violence	1	_	1	A civilian house stoned in Nablus
Palestinian Attack		1	1	1 mortar fired towards the Green Line
Demonstrations	6	_	6	Incl. against land confiscation and Wall
TOTAL	154	14	168	

DISTRICT EVENTS

WEST BANK

• Closure:

- (i) On 12 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.

- <u>Flying Checkpoint</u>: At 22:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Qatanna and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Attack: At 18:15, the Israeli army opened fire and fired sound and tear gas grenades towards a number of civilians near the bypass road in the area of Samir Amis north of the city of Jerusalem, allegedly for throwing stones.
- Raid: At 23:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Ar Ram.
- <u>Demonstration</u>: At 15:00, 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.
- <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.

• Raids:

- (i) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Um Safa.
- (ii) At 17:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh.
- (iii) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beit Rima.
- <u>Israeli Army UXO/Injury</u>: At 12:00, Rihab Abdullah Ahmed Khalil, a female civilian, sustained injuries in the hand as a result of the explosion of an Israeli army UXO in the town of Sinjil in the aftermath of confrontations between the Israeli army and civilians, as was reported on 11 February 2010. Rihab's 2 fingers were amputated.

• Demonstrations/Attacks/Injuries:

- (i) At 13:30, 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.
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- (iii) At 14:30, 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.
- <u>Arrest</u>: The Israeli army arrested Arafat Jamali 'Amireh in the town of Ni'lin.

• Wall Construction:

- (i) Wall construction continues west of 'Abud town and in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.
- (ii) On 11 February 2010, the Israeli army adjusted the Wall route in the village of Bil'in.

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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. Flying Checkpoint: At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al Jarba and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 15:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Sanur, set up a checkpoint at its entrance, and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army also searched a house under construction. Detention: At 19:25, the Israeli army detained Ahmed Yousef Abu al Hayja, while he was working on his land in the plain of the town of Al Yamun and released him at 22:00. 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	 Checkpoint: 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. Flying Checkpoint: At 19:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Tayasir and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 21:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Al 'Aqaba. Arrests: On 11 February 2010, the Israeli army arrested 2 residents of Al Far'a refugee camp, including a university student, while they were working in an area inside the Green Line: Mousa Hasan Saleem 'Ilayyan; and Hamzeh Mousa Hasan 'Ilayyan.
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. Raid: At 11:00, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Illar and searched a civilian house. Destruction of Property: At 09:20, the Israeli army cut down forest trees opposite the junction to the town of Beit Lid. 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 13:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Immatin and searched civilians and vehicles.

	(ii) At 13:55, and again at 19:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the entrance to the village of 'Izbat at Tabib and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(iii) At 16:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of 'Azzun and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(iv) At 19:!5, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of 'Azzun and Kafr Thulth and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(v) At 19:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of 'Asla and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(vi) At 20:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Habla tunnel (the southern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya) and searched civilians and vehicles.
	• Raids: At 14:50, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Azzun, set up a checkpoint in the town's centre, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. At 19:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area
	 again. 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.
	 Closure of Main Roads: 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. The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite Shavei Shomron settlement. 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
NABLUS	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.
	• Raids: (i) At 11:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Talfit.
	(ii) At 00:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Sarra.

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	 (iii) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Beita. (iv) At 01:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Aqraba. Settler Violence: At 16:40, a group of Israeli settlers threw stones at a house belonging to Bashir Hamzeh az Zein east of the village of Burin. At 17:15, the Israeli army evacuated settlers from the area.
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. Flving Checkpoints: At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Iskaka and searched civilians and vehicles. At 18:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian. Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan arrested Abdul Karim Yousef Da'as. 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. 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/Detentions:

- (ii) At 02:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area of An Nabi Musa on the Jericho-Jerusalem main road, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested a Palestinian General Intelligence officer. Israeli troops also detained 2 civilians and released them at a later time.
- <u>Arrest</u>: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up in the area of An Nabi Musa arrested Sami 'Isa Abdul Fattah, a Palestinian General Intelligence officer.

• 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.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) 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.
- (ii) Beginning at 15:30 on 11 February 2010, the Israeli army has continued to close with dirt barricades an agricultural road connecting the town of Tuqu' to the village of Khirbet al Baq'a.
- **Physical Assault:** At 02:05, Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint severely beat Gheith Maher Shukri, leaving him with contusions.
- <u>Flying Checkpoint/Detention</u>: At 13:20, 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. Israeli troops also detained Tareq Abdullah Jiran, a Palestinian Police officer, and released him at 17:40 after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).

• <u>Demonstrations</u>:

- (i) At 10:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place near the evacuated military post of 'Ush Ghurab east of the city of Beit Sahur in protest against land confiscation and settlement activity.
- (ii) At 12:30, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Al Ma'sara against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which a number of participants sustained wounds as a result of tear gas inhalation.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: 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.

BETHLEHEM

• 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, 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,
- (iii) Beginning on 11 February 2010, the Israeli army has continued to close with metal plates the entrance to the Al Laban Market in the old city of Hebron

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (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:

- (i) At 09:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 12:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Ummar and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al Fawwar refugee camp and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 19:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Attack: At 16:25, the Israeli army opened fire and fired sound grenades during a confrontation with civilians along Ash Shalala Street in the old city of Hebron. A civilian sustained several bullet wounds, ostensibly because he had attempted to stab an Israeli soldier.
- <u>Killing</u>: The Israeli army killed Fayez Ahmed Sa'id Faraj along Ash Shalala Street in the old city of Hebron.

• Raids:

- (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron.
- (ii) At 13:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Khirbet Safa.

HEBRON

- Arrest: At 16:15, the Israeli army arrested Mus'ab Sa'fan Mohammed al Atrash near the settlement of Hagai south of the city of Hebron.
- <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

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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. ALL **DISTRICTS Violations of the Ceasefire:** The Israeli army raided Palestinian territory, opened intensive fire, and (i) fired tank shells towards civilian houses and property in the districts of Armed Palestinian individuals fired 1 unidentified mortar towards the (ii) the Green Line. Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously-coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals. **NORTHERN GAZA** Palestinian Attack: In the evening of 12 February 2010, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. **Closure of Crossing Points:** Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. (i) **GAZA** Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January (ii) 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision. Raid/Air Patrol/Attack: In the morning of 11 February 2010, the Israeli army, including several armoured vehicles covered by combat helicopters and reconnaissance aircraft, raided Palestinian territory east of the city of CENTRAL Deir al Balah and Al Maghazi refugee camp. Israeli armoured vehicles and **GAZA** combat helicopters opened intensive fire and tanks fired 9 shells towards agricultural land. An armed confrontation also took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals. KHAN YUNIS Activities not reported. **Closure of Crossing Points:** • (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. RAFAH Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is closed. (ii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iii)

Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.