18 February 2010

# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



### PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 17 February 2010 – 08:00 18 February 2010

#### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

| EVENT                      | WEST BANK | GAZA STRIP | TOTAL | NOTES                                        |
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| Physical Assault           | 1         | —          | 1     | A civilian severely beaten in Jericho        |
| Attacks                    | 2         | 2          | 4     | Incl. 2 in raids and 1 from a mil. post      |
| Raids                      | 30        | 1          | 31    | Incl. 4 in Ramallah and 6 in Qalqiliya       |
| Arrests (per person)       | 10        | —          | 10    | Incl. 3 children                             |
| Detentions                 | 13        | —          | 13    | Incl. 4 Palestinian Police officers, Jericho |
| Wall Construction          | 22        | —          | 22    | Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Qalqiliya     |
| Confiscation of Property   | 1         | —          | 1     | A hydraulic excavator in Tubas               |
| Closure of Checkpoints     | 9         | —          | 9     | Incl. access impeded at 6 checkpoints        |
| Flying Checkpoints         | 24        | —          | 24    | Incl. 5 in Nablus and 3 in Bethlehem         |
| 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 |           | 3          | 3     | 3 crossing open partially open               |
| Settler Violence           | 3         | —          | 3     | Incl. civilian hit & shepherds assaulted     |
| Provocation of Pal. Forces | 1         | —          | 1     | A Police vehicle detained in Tubas           |
| Palestinian Attack         |           | 1          | 1     | Explosive device detonated, C. Gaza          |
| TOTAL                      | 163       | 7          | 170   |                                              |

DISTRICT

# **EVENTS**

# WEST BANK

| JERUSALEM | <ul> <li>Closure: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also continues to close the entrances to Al Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and impede civilian access to the mosque.</li> <li>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 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).</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Closure of Main Roads:</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba'.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in a special crossing for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem.</li> <li>Raid: At 10:40, the Israeli army and staff members of the Israeli Jerusalem Municipality raided Shu'fat refugee camp, raided a number of commercial premises, and patrolled the area.</li> <li>Wall Canstruction: Wall construction continues in the area of Al 'Eizariya to sho Shayah road in the area between the villages of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya, only allow</li></ol></li></ul> |
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| RAMALLAH<br>&<br>EL BIREH | <ul> <li><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.</li> <li><u>Flving Checkpoint</u>: At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the settlement of Halamish and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li><u>Raids/Attack</u>: <ul> <li>(i) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Beit Rima. While, patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.</li> <li>(ii) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Beit Sira and fired rubber-coated steel bullets as well as tear gas grenades towards civilians.</li> <li>(iii) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Ramallah and Al Am'ari refugee camp and arrested 1 civilian in the refugee camp.</li> </ul> </li> <li><u>Mail Construction</u>: <ul> <li>(i) Wall construction continues west of 'Abud town and in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.</li> <li>(ii) On 11 February 2010, the Israeli army adjusted the Wall route in the village of Bil'in.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>                                                  |
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| JENIN                     | <ul> <li><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.</li> <li><u>Flving Checkpoint</u>: At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Salem military camp, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li><u>Raids</u>:         <ul> <li>(i) At 11:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Jenin.</li> <li>(ii) At 17:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Rummana.</li> <li>(iii) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the village of 'Anin and arrested 1 civilian. At a later time, the Israeli army raided the neighbouring village of 'Anza and raided a civilian house.</li> </ul> </li> <li><u>Arrests</u>:         <ul> <li>(i) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up near Salem military camp arrested Mohamed Khaled Ikhzeimiyyeh.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army arrested Mu'taz Fayez Mustafa 'Isa in the village of 'Anin.</li> </ul> </li> <li><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.</li> </ul> |
| 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.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

|          | <ul> <li>Flying Checkpoints: At 21:25, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrance to the villages of Bardala and Kardala in the Jordan Valley area and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li><u>Raids/Confiscation of Property</u>:         <ul> <li>(i) At 18:05, the Israeli army raided the village of Tayasir and confiscated a hydraulic excavator belonging to a resident of the city of Tubas.</li> <li>(ii) At 22:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Kardala, raided a house, and arrested 1 child.</li> </ul> </li> <li><u>Arrest</u>: The Israeli army arrested Fadi Basem Ali Fuqaha, 17 years old, in the village of Kardala.</li> <li><u>Provocation of Palestinian Forces</u>: At 10:10, Israeli troops positioned at Tayasir checkpoint detained a Palestinian Police vehicle, while it was travelling from the village of 'Ein al Beida in company of the Palestinian Minister of National Economy.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                      |
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| TULKAREM | <ul> <li><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.</li> <li><u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarem-Nablus main road.</li> <li><u>Flying Checkpoint</u>: At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Beit Lid and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li><u>Raid</u>: At 10:05, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Tulkarem.</li> <li><u>Arrest</u>: At dawn on 17 February 2010, the Israeli army arrested Ashraf Ibrahim Omar an Najjar, 30 years old, during its raid into Dahiyat Shuweika in the city of Tulkarem.</li> <li><u>Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                            |
| QALQILYA | <ul> <li>Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: <ul> <li>(i) At 09:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road to the town of Habla and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(ii) At 14:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Jit and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>Raids:</b> <ul> <li>(i) At 01:25, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya, raided a residential building, and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>(ii) At 02:35, the Israeli army raided the town of Jayyus and arrested 1 child.</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>Arrests:</b> <ul> <li>(i) The Israeli army arrested Ahmed Abu 'Assab in the city of Qalqiliya.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army arrested Ahmed Abdul Hafith Khaled, 17 years old, in the town of Jayyus.</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>Wall Gate:</b> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a detector.</li> </ul> |

|        | Magharet ad Dab'a, and Wadi ar Rasha south of the city of Qalqiliya.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
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| NABLUS | <ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ul> <li>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.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite Shavei Shomron settlement.</li> <li>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 Qaryut and the road connecting the town of 'Aqraba to the village of Osarin.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:</li> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul> Flying Checkpoints: <ul> <li>At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to the town of Deir Sharaf and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 18:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road leading to the village of 'Urif and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul> (ii) At 18:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Salem and conducted a military training exercise in the vicinity of the village. (ii) At 16:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Nablus. (iii) At 18:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Nablus. (iv) 01:20, the Israeli army raided a</li></ul> |
| SALFIT | <ul> <li>(i) Sami Abu Shalbak; and</li> <li>(ii) Ala' at Tiryaqi, 17 years old.</li> <li>Closure of Main Roads:</li> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

|         | <ul> <li>(ii) 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.</li> <li>Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint.</li> <li>Flving Checkpoints: <ul> <li>(i) At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Khirbet Qeis and Mazari' an Nubani and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(ii) At 20:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the western entrance to the town of Haris and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul> </li> <li>(ii) At 11:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Kafr ad Dik, raided the building housing the town's municipality, set up 3 checkpoints, and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(ii) At 18:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Yasuf.</li> <li>Settler Violence: At 14:30, a group of Israeli settlers gathered in the area of Al Matwi near the town of Bruqin.</li> <li>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 Azifle.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
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| JERICHO | <ul> <li>of the settlement of Ariel.</li> <li><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.</li> <li><u>Checkpoints</u>: <ul> <li>(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.</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Flying Checkpoint: At 05:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>Physical Assault: At 22:00, Israeli troops positioned at Rimonim checkpoint severely Fawwaz Saleem.</li> <li><u>Raid</u>: At 18:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Al 'Auja.</li> </ul> |

| BETHLEHEM | <ul> <li><u>Closure:</u> <ol> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> <li><u>Closure of Main Roads</u>:</li> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> <li><u>Checkpoint</u>: At 14:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint and impeded civilian access.</li> <li><u>Flying Checkpoints</u>: <ol> <li>At 16:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the city of Beit Jala and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 18:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Fajjar and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ol> </li> <li>At 10:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area of the Arab Society in the city of Bethlehem and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 14:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Al Khadr.</li> <li>At 14:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Beit Sahur.</li> <li><u>Settler Violence</u>: At 16:10, Israeli settlers severely beat Hamzeh Is'haq 'Alqam in the town of Husan.</li> </ol></li></ul> |
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| HEBRON    | <ul> <li><u>Closure</u>: <ol> <li>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.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

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| <ul> <li>Having evacuated civilian residents and denied civilian access, the<br/>Israeli army continues to close the area located along the Green Line<br/>south of the town of Yatta,</li> </ul> |
| <ul> <li>(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</li> </ul>                         |
| Hebron.                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u>                                                                                                                                                                     |
| (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 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to                                                                                                                      |
| the town of Tarqumiya and searched civilians and vehicles.                                                                                                                                        |
| (ii) At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to                                                                                                                     |
| the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles.                                                                                                                                           |
| (iii) At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to                                                                                                                    |
| the town of Beit Kahil and searched civilians and vehicles.                                                                                                                                       |
| • Raids:<br>(i) $A \neq 10.20$ the largely army reided and netrolled the town of Pani Na <sup>2</sup> im                                                                                          |
| (i) At 10:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Bani Na'im.                                                                                                                       |
| (ii) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Khirbet                                                                                                                       |
| (iii) Safa.<br>(iii) At 13:00, and again at 02:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the                                                                                                      |
| (iii) At 13:00, and again at 02:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Surif.                                                                                                      |
| (iv) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Kharas.                                                                                                                          |
| <ul> <li><u>Arrest</u>: At 18:15, the Israeli army arrested Shaher Abdul Majid, 35 years</li> </ul>                                                                                               |
| old and a resident of the town of Dura, while he was reporting to the Israeli                                                                                                                     |
| Intelligence agency in the settlement of Kfar 'Etzion as was reported                                                                                                                             |
| yesterday.                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| • <u>Settler Violence</u> : At 17:30, Israeli settlers assaulted a number of shepherds                                                                                                            |
| in the area of Johar Mountain in the city of Hebron.                                                                                                                                              |
| <ul> <li><u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya</li> </ul>                                                                                             |
| 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.                                                                                                                                                                    |
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## GAZA STRIP

| ALL<br>DISTRICTS | <ul> <li>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.</li> <li><u>Violations of the Ceasefire</u>: The Israeli army raided Palestinian territory and opened fire towards civilian houses and property in the district of Central Gaza.</li> </ul> |
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| NORTHERN<br>GAZA | • <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u> : Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously-coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |  |  |
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| GAZA             | <ul> <li><u>Closure of Crossing Points</u>:         <ul> <li>Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is partially open for transportation of wheat and animal feed.</li> <li>(ii) Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  |  |
| CENTRAL<br>GAZA  | <ul> <li><u>Raid/Attack</u>: The Israeli army, including several armoured vehicles and bulldozers, raided the area of Kessufim east of the city of Deir al Balah and opened indiscriminate fire towards civilian houses.</li> <li><u>Palestinian Attack/Israeli Attack</u>: Armed Palestinian individuals detonated an explosive device near an Israeli army patrol east of Al Maghazi refugee camp, destroying the patrol and injuring an Israeli soldier. Palestinian individuals also fired a mortar towards the patrol. Consequently, the Israeli army opened fire towards Palestinian territory.</li> </ul> |  |  |
| KHAN YUNIS       | Activities not reported.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |  |  |
| RAFAH            | <ul> <li><u>Closure of Crossing Points</u>:         <ul> <li>Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is open on an exceptional basis to allow access to civilians stranded on the Egyptian border and ill civilians, who had received medical treatment at Egyptian hospitals.</li> <li>Sufa Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for transportation of food supplies, humanitarian aid, cooking gas, and diesel allocated for the Gaza Electricity Generation Station.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>                 |  |  |