

PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP



MONTHLY SUMMARY OF ISRAELI VIOLATIONS

01 May 2013 – 31 May 2013

The following summary tables and overview of events survey hostile Israeli activities during the period 01 May 2013 to 31 May 2013. The report includes a summary table of events, classified by type, throughout the West Bank and Gaza Strip, in addition to a comparative table surveying events over the past three months. The survey is compiled from the Daily Situation Reports of the Palestinian Monitoring Group (PMG) of the Negotiations Affairs Department (NAD) of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO). The PMG monitors ground conditions in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, including Israeli and Palestinian violations. The PMG Daily Situation Reports are a survey of daily events collated from information provided by civil ministries and security agencies of the Palestinian National Authority. The information reported through the PMG process represents data available at the time of distribution only.

SAMPLE OF ISRAELI VIOLATIONS DURING THE MONTH OF MAY 2013

- **02 May** :Israeli forces positioned at the entrance of Beit Ummar fired rubber coated steel bullets and tear gas grenades towards residents participating in the funeral near the local cemetery and as a result injured 3 residents including 2 children: Alaa Akhlil (17 years old), Ghassan Akhlil (17 years old) and Mohammad Abu Daya also left several others suffocating from tear gas inhalation.
- **03May**: Israeli forces positioned near Al-Ram junction fired rubber coated steel bullets and tear gas grenades towards several residents and as a result injured the child Mahmoud Hamam (15 years old) leaving him hospitalised with contusions and also Israeli forces opened fire towards a demonstration after Friday prayers protesting land confiscation and settler assaults and as a result injured 2 children Mohammad Azmi (15 years old) and Bara Alwa (16 years old). Israeli settler vehicle ran over and injured Farouq Abu Haniya (60 years old) on the main road near Al-Nabi Elisa's leaving him hospitalised with contusions.
- **05May**: Israeli Forces raided Nablus as they escorted Israeli settlers who stormed Joseph's tomb, clashed with several residents and injured the child Issa Hashash (16 years old) and Fawzi Abu Layal (17 years old) after being struck with tear gas grenade canister and left Ali Assad and his child suffocated from tear gas inhalation.
- **10 May**: Israeli forces positioned at the entrance of Silwad fired rubber coated steel bullets and tear gas grenades towards several residents after closing the entrance steel gate to prevent several demonstrators from reaching a demonstration site protesting against Israeli land confiscation and as a result injured the child Assaf Hamed (17 years old) and left several others suffocated from tear gas inhalation. Also during demonstrations in Bil'in and Ni'lin protesting against the construction of the wall demonstrators clashed with Israeli forces and as a result injured Haytham Burnat (a journalist) in Bil'in and left several others suffocating from tear gas inhalation.
- **14 May**: An Israeli settler vehicle ran over the child Jenin Al-Ja'bari (6 years old) near Al-Ibrahimi mosque in the old city of Hebron leaving her hospitalised with contusions.
- **15 May**: Israeli forces positioned near Ofar Prison fired rubber coated steel bullets and tear gas grenades towards several residents and injured 2 residents including a child: Majd Injas (13 years old) and Ramzi Shumara as well as leaving several others suffocating from tear gas inhalation.
- **17 May**: Israeli forces positioned near Al-Jalazun camp entrance fired rubber coated steel bullets and tear gas grenades towards several residents and as a result injured 13 residents including 4 children: Jasser Najalat (13 years old), Malik Al-Irashi (15 years old), Musalim Ka'anba (17 years old), Abed Izzat (15 years old), Midhat Abu Sharifa, Abed Al-Barmwai, Tareq Al-Khalili, Othman Sharahta, Mohammad Jabarin, Ismail Al-Wawi, Ehab Al-Taya, Alaa Salihat and Eyad Muslieh. Also Israeli forces positioned in Um Al-Rakaba near Al-Nashash junction fired stun and tear gas grenades towards several residents for alleged stoning and as a result injured 2 children: Akran Asbieh (12 years old) and Jamil Al-Ba'aish (17 years old).
- **18 May** :Israeli forces positioned in Ras Al-Kasba area between Al-Eizariya and Abu Dis fired rubber coated steel bullets and tear gas grenades towards residents and as a result injured 2 residents including a journalist: Hufaytha Jamus (journalist) and Omar Rabie'.
- **19 May**: Israeli forces positioned near Al-Jalazun camp in Ramallah fired rubber coated steel bullets and tear gas grenades towards residents for alleged stoning and as a result injured 3 residents including a child: Fadi Safi (/16 years old), Ziyad Qatsha and Samir Shinarat.
- **20 May**: Israeli forces positioned near Al-Jalazun camp fired rubber coated steel bullets and tear gas grenades towards several residents and as a

result injured 3 residents including a child: Yassin Zied (16 years old), Ahmad Runaman and Ibrahim Aqoul.

- **22 May:** An Israeli settler vehicle ran over Zaynab Al-Fakhouri (9 years old) near Tareq Bin Zied school in the old city of Hebron leaving her hospitalised with contusions.
- **23 May:** An Israeli settler vehicle ran over the child Marwan Assous (16 years old) near Beit a junction leaving him hospitalised with contusions.
- **24 May:** Israeli forces positioned near the entrance of Beit Ummar fired rubber coated steel bullets and tear gas grenades towards several residents and injured 2 children.
- **26 May:** An Israeli settler vehicle ran over Banan Shatat (7 years old) near Zif village junction leaving her hospitalised with contusions.
- **31 May:** Israeli forces positioned near “Kokhav Yacoub” settlement in Kafr Aqab opened fire and launched tear and stun grenades towards several residents and as a result injured 2 children Ahmad Daoud (15 years old) and Mustafa Hamad (15 years old) leaving them hospitalised with contusions.

SUMMARY TABLE OF EVENTS IN THE OCCUPIED PALESTINIAN TERRITORY – MAY 2013

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	COMMENTS
Assassination	0	0	0	No assassinations for this month.
Killing	0	0	0	No killing incidents for this month
Injuries	134	1	135	A total of 135 injuries were reported in the month of May (134 Palestinians in the West Bank and 1 in the Gaza Strip). Injuries included 29 children including a 6 year old child and a 4 month infant, 17 injured from settler attack, 3 journalists and a fisherman
Attacks	237	52	289	A total of 289 attacks were reported to have taken place during the month of May: 237 in the West Bank and 52 in the Gaza Strip. The Israeli military carried out 19 attacks during raids into Palestinian residential areas, 221 attacks during confrontations between the Israeli military and Palestinians, and 12 attacks from Israeli military posts on civilian homes and property. In addition, Israeli navy vessels carried out 33 attacks on Palestinian fishermen and territory.. Israeli settlers opened fire on civilians and property on 3 occasions . Israeli aircrafts opened fire on 1 occasion.
Raids	522	13	535	The Israeli military carried out a total of 535 raids in Palestinian residential areas during the month of May, including 522 in the West Bank and 13 in the Gaza Strip . The majority of Israeli military raids were reported to have taken place in the districts of Jerusalem (27); Ramallah (34); Jenin (73); Tubas (16); Tulkarem (52); Qalqiliya (40); Nablus (66); Salfit (32); Jericho (27); Bethlehem (49); Hebron (106); North Gaza (3); Gaza (1), Central Gaza (3) and Khan Yunis (6) .
Arrests	392	4	396	During the month of May, the Israeli military arrested 396 Palestinians (392 the West Bank and 4 in the Gaza Strip). The majority of arrests took place in the districts of Jerusalem (129); Ramallah (18); Jenin (39); Tubas (6) Tulkarem (10); Qalqiliya (14); Nablus (51); Salfit (31); Jericho (8); Bethlehem (32); Hebron (54), North Gaza (2) and Gaza (2). Among those arrested by the Israeli military were: 38 children; 2 Women, 25 University students, 4 Medical Sergeants, A religious cleric, 1 special need individual and 17 Security Officers.
Home Demolition	14	0	14	During the month of May Israeli forces demolished 14 homes in the West Bank and Jerusalem: The Israeli military demolished a home consisting of 2 levels in Beit Hanina in Jerusalem, demolished 2 homes consisting of 4 apartments in Jabal Al-Tur and Jabal Mukabbir neighbourhood in Jerusalem ,demolished a portion of a home in the area between the French Hills and Shu'fat camp in Jerusalem, forced a resident to demolish part of his home (2 rooms, a Bath Room and a Kitchen) and imposed a financial penalty for allegedly being built without proper licensing in Salah Al-Din Road in the old city of Jerusalem, Israeli forces demolished a home in Al Fasayil village and demolished 2 homes in Al –Oja village in Jericho, Israeli forces demolished a home in the south part of Al-Bireh city. Israeli forces served demolition orders for the demolition of 12 homes in the Jordan Valley area in Tubas, demolition orders for 4 homes in Um Al-Kheir village in East Yatta in Hebron. Israeli forces served demolition orders for the demolition of 13 homes in Al-Oja village in Jericho, served demolition orders for the demolition of a building consisting of 6 apartments in Beit Hanina, demolition orders for 4 homes in Silwan neighbourhood and the demolition of a building under construction in Jabal Al –Tur in Jerusalem. Israeli forces served demolition orders to demolish 9 homes in Yatta and served demolition orders for 3 homes in Al-Jiftlik village in Jericho.
Attacks on Public & Private Property	142	7	149	A total of 149 incidents of destruction and confiscation of Palestinian public and private property were reported in May, including 142 in the West Bank and 7 in the Gaza Strip.

In **Jerusalem**, Israeli forces destroyed an entrance gate as they stormed a home in Al-Ram, forcibly shut down 3 merchant shops in Hizma village and closed down a car wash in Al-Sheikh Jarrah neighbourhood. In **Ramallah**, Israeli settlers torched a vehicle, smashed the windshield of a Palestinian Police vehicle and damaged several other vehicles during stoning attack by Israeli settler near Bet El settlement junction, damaged 4 vehicles during a settler stoning attack along the main road connecting Ramallah and Nablus, Israeli settlers set fire to a home and destroyed several Olive trees in Ras Kar Kar, Israeli settlers set fire to 30 Olive trees in Deir Jrier. In **Tubas**, Israeli forces set fire to agricultural land and destroyed several acres of wheat harvest after a tear gas grenade canister exploded near agricultural land as they were conducting military training in Tayasir village. In **Jenin**, Israeli forces demolished 5 rooms used as merchant stores in Barta'a Al-Sharqiya. In **Qalqiliya**, Israeli settlers set fire to agricultural land in the area between Jit village and Far'ata and as a result destroyed 20 Dunums (acres) of wheat crops, 20 Olive trees were destroyed after Israeli forces fired tear gas grenades towards agricultural land and a tear gas canister exploded during demonstrations in Kafr Qaddum, Wheat crop harvests were destroyed after Israeli settlers set fire to land near Far'ata village, Israeli forces demolished 2 storage sheds used as vegetable and fruit stand near the entrance of Jinsafut behind the wall gate separating Qalqiliya, Israeli forces set fire to 40 Olive trees after a tear gas grenade canister exploded near agricultural land during demonstrations near Kafr Qaddum and destroyed 2 storage rooms at the entrance Wadi Qana area.. In **Nablus**, Israeli settlers destroyed 30 Olive trees and 5 dunumes of wheat crops in Asira Al-Qibliya, Israeli settlers uprooted 300 Olive trees in Awarta and set fire to a vehicle in Ein Buis village, Israeli settlers destroyed 100 Olive trees after spraying toxic chemicals on agricultural land in Burin village, Israeli settlers demolished a water well, damaged 1200 Olive trees, demolished a concrete fence in Aqraba, Israeli settlers set fire to wheat crops in Beit Furiq, Israeli settlers uprooted and damaged 150 Olive trees in Yatma village, Israeli settlers caused damage to a plant Greenhouse shop, slashed the tires of 2 agricultural tractors and destroyed 4 Tombstones at a cemetery in Al-Sawiya village, Israeli settlers damaged several Olive and almond trees in Al-Nabi Samuel village, damaged a vehicle during a settler stoning attack near "Shave Shomron" settlement junction, damaged 20 Olive trees in Burin and Israeli forces uprooted several Olive trees as the levelled a plot of land in Beit Dajan village. In **Bethlehem**, Israeli settlers damaged 30 Olive trees in Nahhalin village. In **Hebron**, Israeli forces uprooted and destroyed several vegetable crops as well as destroying irrigation pipelines in Al-Baq'a area, Israeli forces damaged a vehicle after opening fire towards it and caused it to overturn in Turama village, Israeli settlers set fire wheat crops in Tuba village, Israeli settlers damaged and destroyed 70 Olive trees in East Yatta, Israeli settlers damaged several olive tree in Um Nir village in Yatta, Israeli forces damaged several Olive and almond trees as they demolished 3 water wells and connected water network as well as surrounding concrete fence as they levelled land in Tarqumiya, Israeli forces demolished a storage room in Al-Qum village, Israeli forces uprooted Olive trees and destroyed a water well and connecting irrigation network lines and destroyed an electrical network as they levelled land in Beit Ulla . In **Gaza**, Israeli Naval vessels damaged a Palestinian fishing boat as well as damaging the main engines and flash lights. In **Rafah**, Israeli Naval Vessels opened fire towards and damaged a fishing boat, damaged 2 engines and 6 flash lights of a fishing boat off the shores of Rafah.

In addition, the Israeli army delivered demolition notices for 7 storage dens in Tubas, halt to construction notices for 10 homes in Deir Nathim village in Ramallah, eviction orders for 2 homes in the Jordan Valley area in Tubas, demolition notices for several olive trees located behind the wall in Qalqiliya, demolition order for a water well in Um Al-Kheir village in Yatta, eviction notice for a plot of land near the wall in Beit Ulla in Hebron, demolition order for a stone cutting factory in Jenin, demolition order for a water well and 2 storage dens used to house live stock in Yatta, orders for the eviction of a plot of land near "Aerial" settlement in Salfit and served demolition notices for 8 merchant shops in Barta'a Al-Sharqiya in Jenin .

Property damage operations included the following confiscations:

Several computers were confiscated by Israeli forces in Jerusalem, Tulkarem, Tubas, Qalqiliya and Nablus.

Jerusalem: Israeli forces confiscated several files from a Law Firm office in Al-Ram and several surveillance cameras in Silwan.

Ramallah: Israeli forces confiscated a bulldozer in Burqa village.

Jericho: Israeli forces positioned at Al-Humbra checkpoint confiscated a water tank owned by the Palestinian Water Authority which was being transferred to the Bedouin communities for drinking purposes.

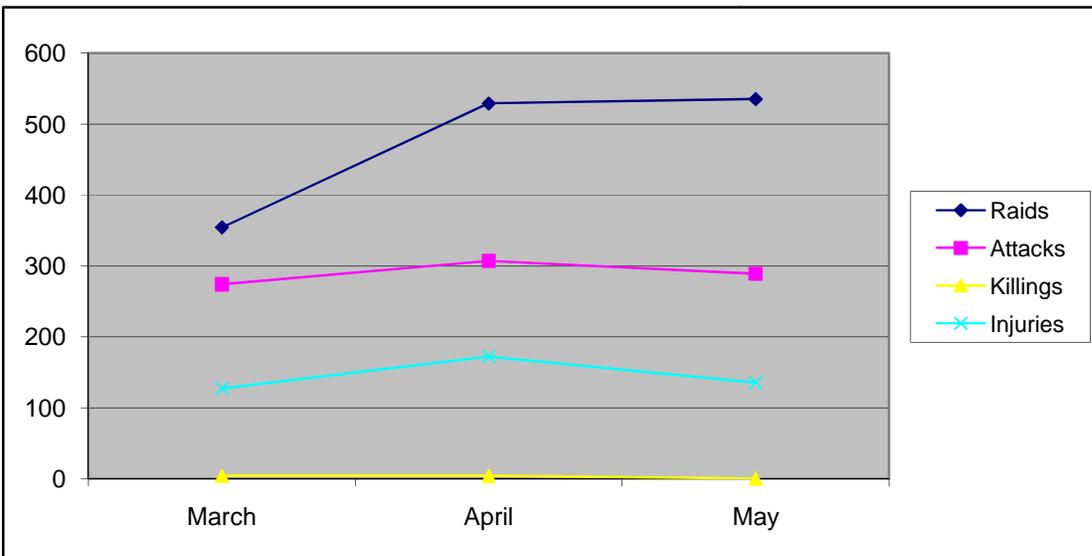
				North Gaza: Israeli Naval officers confiscated a Palestinian fishing boat off the shores of North Gaza.
Home Occupation	13	0	13	The Israeli military occupied the rooftops and converted 13 civilian home into military posts in Jerusalem, Jenin and Hebron.
Curfews	1	0	1	Israeli forces imposed a curfew on the residents Rujeib village in Nablus.
Closure of Crossing Points	0	144	144	The Israeli military completely closed crossing points into the Gaza Strip, including access points within the Green Line, on 144 occasions during the month of May. The Israeli military closed crossing points within the Green Line on 108 occasions. It opened Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing for 27 days for previously-coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals and Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing for 20 days for transportation of food supplies, humanitarian aid, and cooking gas. In addition to allowing in animal feed, construction cargo designated for UNRWA and internationally-funded projects was transported through the Crossing. Sufa Crossing was closed throughout the month. On the other hand, the Israeli authorities have continued to unilaterally close Ash Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing . Beginning on 02 March 2011, the Israeli authorities has also continued to completely close Al Muntar (Karnei) Commercial Crossing . The Israeli military closed international crossing points on 36 occasions. Rafah Crossing was open for 26 days to allow access to civilians departing the Gaza Strip and to those arriving from Egypt. Yasser Arafat International Airport has remained closed since the outbreak of the second <i>Intifada</i> .
Flying Checkpoints	441	0	441	The Israeli military set up 441 flying checkpoints and searched Palestinian civilians and vehicles in and around Palestinian residential areas in the districts of Jerusalem (81); Ramallah (33); Jenin (35); Tubas (6); Tulkarem (18); Qalqiliya (58); Nablus (36); Salfit (19); Jericho (20); Bethlehem (23); Hebron (112).
Provocation of Palestinian Forces	3	0	3	The Israeli military provoked or harassed the National Security force on 1 occasions and Palestinian Police on 2 occasion.
Settlement Activity	8	0	8	A total of 8 settlement activity incidents occurred during the month of May which included: Israeli authorities began levelling land and paving roads between "Movo Dotan" and several settlement outposts in Ya'bad village in Jenin, Israeli government approved tenders for the construction of 296 settlements unites on Bet El settlement in north Al-Bireh on land occupied in 1967. Israeli Authorities approved tenders for the construction of 1097 settlement unites (300 in "Ramot" settlement and "797" settlement unites in "Gilo" settlement) located in east Jerusalem on land occupied in 1967. Israeli forces levelled a plot of land in Wadi Al-Hussein area in the old city of Hebron, Israeli forces levelled 45 dunumes (acres) of land in Aqraba village in Nablus, levelled a plot of land near the wall in Tarqumiya, Israeli forces levelled 250 acres (dunumes), Israeli forces levelled 80 acres (dunumes) of land and uprooted several Olive and almond trees in Beit Ulla in Hebron.
Settler Violence	127	0	127	Israeli settler stoned residents and vehicles, stormed homes, uprooted trees, assaulted residents, ran over children with their vehicles, stormed several villages and towns and slashed the tires of residential vehicle.
Attacks on Religious Sites	17	0	17	Israeli settler raided the vicinity of Al-Aqsa mosque compound, stormed Al-Ibrahomi mosque in the old city of Hebron, vandalised Church walls in Jerusalem, stormed a mosque in Jerusalem and took photographs and Israeli forces served demolition order for a section of a mosque in Jerusalem.
Assault on Educational Sector	1	0	1	Israeli forces stormed a school in Nablus
Assault on Medical Sector	2	0	2	Israeli forces stopped Ambulances and detained an injured resident in Hebron.
TOTAL	2053	221	2274	

ABSOLUTE TABLE OF EVENTS OVER THE PAST THREE MONTHS

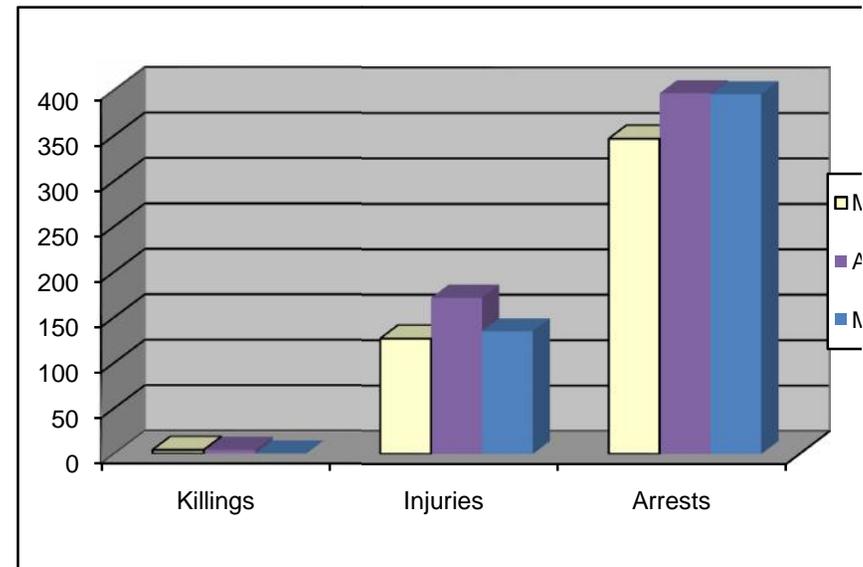
EVENT	MARCH 2013	APRIL 2013	MAY 2013	COMMENTS
Assassinations	0	1	0	No Assassinations during the month of May
Deaths	4	3	0	No deaths reported during the month of May.
Injuries	127	172	135	A decrease by 21.5% compared to April and an increase of 06.3% from last March. The number of children injured is 29 in May compared with 45 in April and 21 in March.
Attacks	274	307	289	A decrease in the number of attacks by 5.9% compared to last month and an increase by 5.5% compared to March.
Raids	354	529	535	An increase by 1.13% compared to April and an increase by 51.1% compared to March.
Arrests	347	397	396	A decrease of 00.25% compared to April and an increase of 14.1% compared to March. The number of arrested children was 38 compared to 45 in April and 54 in March.
Home Demolition	1	14	14	An increase of significant increase since March.
Attacks on Property	59	105	149	An increase of 41.9% compared to last month and by 152.5% compared to last March.
Home Occupation	12	8	13	An increase by 62.5% compared to last month.
Curfews	0	0	0	No curfews for this month.
Flying Checkpoints	462	391	441	An increase of 12.9% compared to April and decrease of 4.54% compared to last March.
Complete Closure of Crossing Points	151	142	144	The Israeli military closed crossing points within the Green Line on 108 occasions compared to 112 last month. <i>Yasser Arafat International Airport</i> has remained closed since the outbreak of the second <i>Intifada</i> . <i>Al-Awda</i> crossing point was closed 5 times by Israeli military during the month of May.
Medical Obstruction	0	1	2	An increase of 50% compared to last month.
Attacks on Religious Sites	16	7	17	An increase of 142.9% compared to last month.
School Disruption	1	2	1	A decrease of 50% compared to the last month.
Provocation of Palestinian Forces	10	7	3	A decrease of 57.1% compared to the last month.
Settlement Activity	10	3	8	An increase of 166.6% in settlement activities compared to last month and 20% decrease compared to March.
Settler Violence	99	123	127	An increase of 3.25% compared to the last month and 28.3% compared to March.

TOTAL	1927	2212	2274	During the month of May, the total incidents increased by 2.80% compared to April due to the increase in the number of raids, Killings, and. Likewise, total events rise by 18% compared to March as a result in the rise in the number of checkpoints, killings, Attacks, and raids.
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COMPARISON OF ISRAELI RAIDS, ATTACKS AND PALESTINIAN HUMAN CASUALTIES OVER THE PAST 3 MONTHS



COMPARISON OF INCIDENTS OF DEATHS, INJURIES, AND ARRESTS OVER THE PAST 3 MONTHS



ANALYSIS OF EVENTS

1. Injuries

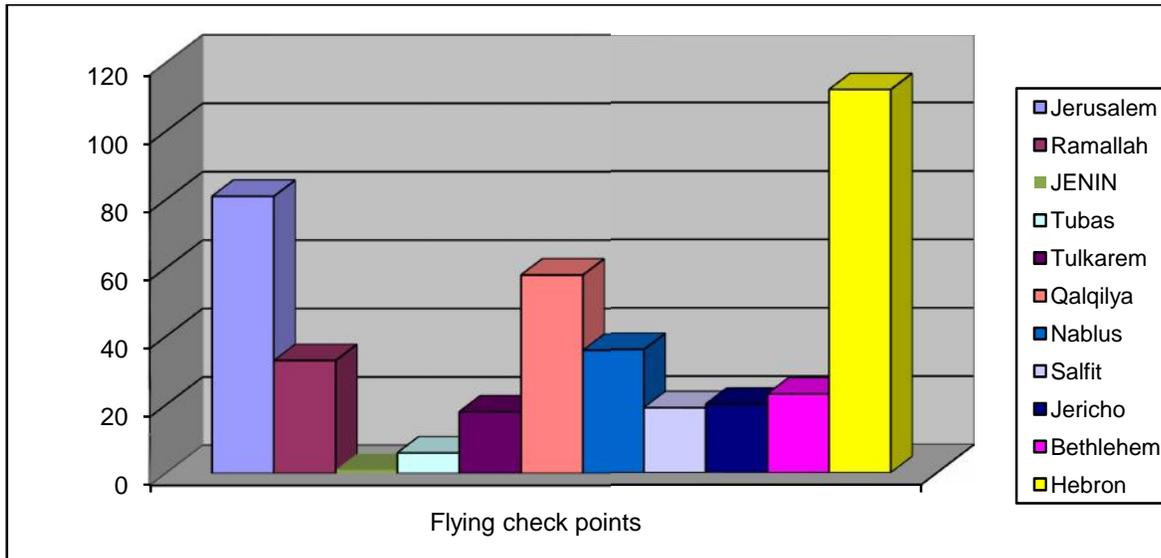
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3. Arrests

During the month of May, the Israeli military **arrested 396 Palestinians** (392 the West Bank and 4 in the Gaza Strip). The majority of arrests took place in the districts of Jerusalem (129); Ramallah (18); Jenin (39); Tubas (6) Tulkarem (10); Qalqiliya (14); Nablus (51); Salfit (31); Jericho (8); Bethlehem (32); Hebron (54), North Gaza (2) and Gaza (2). Among those arrested by the Israeli military were: 38 children; 2 Women, 25 University students, 4 Medical Sergeants, A religious cleric, 1 special need individual and 17 Security Officers.

4. Closure

Especially on Fridays, the Israeli military continues to intensify restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances of Jerusalem, and to restrict entrance to the Al Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem, preventing worshippers from accessing the Mosque. At the *Qalandiya checkpoint north of Jerusalem*, the Israeli military continues to prevent PNA registered civilian vehicles from crossing the checkpoint towards Ar Ram and Qalandiya as well as Dahiyat al Bareed. The checkpoint is overcrowded daily, particularly during rush hours, due to intensified restrictions and search measures applied by Israeli troops. During the month of May, the Israeli military also continued to intensify restrictions at the *Tayasir checkpoint* and *Al Hamra junction checkpoint* leading to the Jordan Valley area, only allowing access to civilians whose IDs indicate District of Jericho residence or others holding special access permits. In addition, restrictions were intensified and civilian access was obstructed at the *Za'tara junction checkpoint* (separating the northern and central West Bank districts) as well as at the *As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint* (separating the central and southern West Bank districts).



Distribution of flying checkpoints in the West Bank

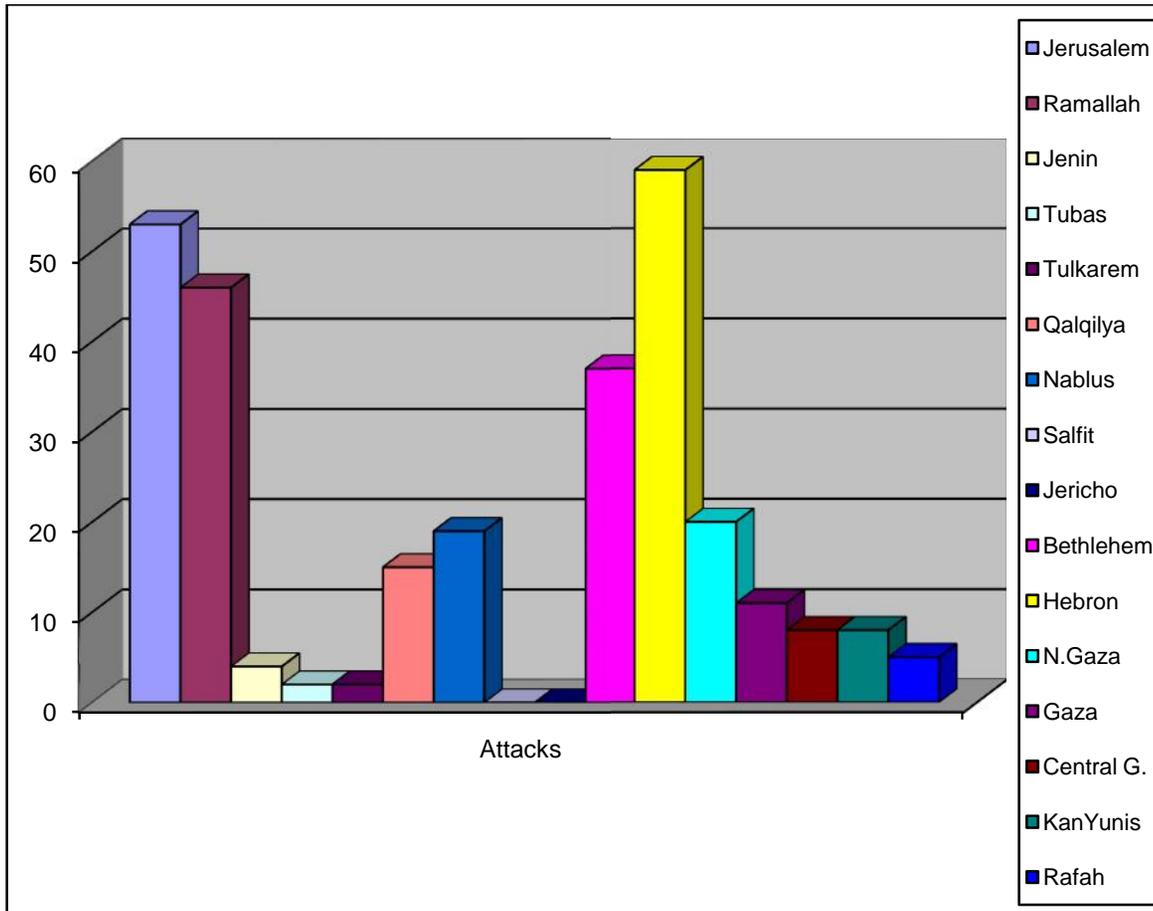
Further impeding civilian movement and access, the Israeli military set up **441 flying checkpoints** in and around Palestinian residential areas throughout the West Bank in May, compared to 391 last month and 462 in March. In general, Israeli troops positioned at these flying checkpoints disrupted civilian access and movement of goods, including agricultural produce.

5. Attacks

A total of **289 attacks** were reported to have taken place during the month of May: **237** in the West Bank and **52** in the Gaza Strip.

The Israeli military carried out **19 attacks during raids** into Palestinian residential areas, **221 attacks during confrontations** between the Israeli military and Palestinians, and **12 attacks from Israeli military posts** on civilian homes and property. In addition, Israeli navy vessels carried out **33 attacks** on Palestinian fishermen and territory.. **Israeli settlers** opened fire on civilians and property on **3 occasions**. Israeli aircrafts opened fire on 1 occasion.

At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the Israeli military declared a unilateral ceasefire following the large-scale offensive it had launched against the Gaza Strip. However, the Israeli military violated the ceasefire on **52 occasions** during the month of May (compared to **46** last April). Also disregarding Israel's unilaterally declared ceasefire armed Palestinian groups fired **3 mortar rounds** towards the Green Line.

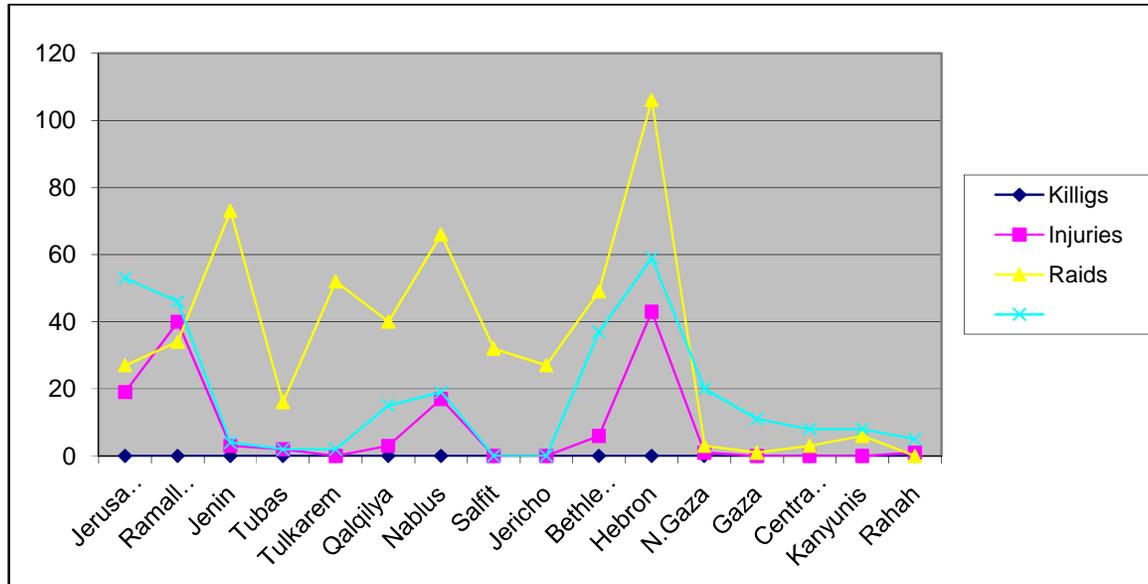


Attacks on residential areas in West Bank districts

6. Raids

The Israeli military carried out a total of **535raids** in Palestinian residential areas during the month of May, including **522 in the West Bank** and **13in the Gaza Strip**. The majority of Israeli military raids were reported to have taken place in the districts of Jerusalem (27); Ramallah (34); Jenin (73); Tubas (16); Tulkarem (52); Qalqiliya (40); Nablus (66); Salfit (32); Jericho (27); Bethlehem (49); Hebron (106); North Gaza (3); Gaza (1), Central Gaza (3) and Khan Yunis (6). The Israeli army **opened fire during confrontations and raidson240 occasions (i.e. 83% of the total number of attacks)**.

The chart below shows the correlation between the number of raids and the resulting human casualties in May.



7. Home Demolition

The Israeli military demolished a home consisting of 2 levels in Beit Hanina in Jerusalem, demolished 2 homes consisting of 4 apartments in Jabal Al-Tur and Jabal Mukabbir neighbourhood in Jerusalem ,demolished a portion of a home in the area between the French Hills and Shu'fat camp in Jerusalem, forced a resident to demolish part of his home (2 rooms, a Bath Room and a Kitchen) and imposed a financial penalty for allegedly being built without proper licensing in Salah Al-Din Road in the old city of Jerusalem, Israeli forces demolished a home in Al Fasayil village and demolished 2 homes in Al -Oja village in Jericho, Israeli forces demolished a home in the south part of Al-Bireh city.

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10. Attacks on Public and Private Property

A total of 149 **incidents of destruction and confiscation** of Palestinian public and private property were reported in May, including 142in the West Bank and 7in the Gaza Strip.

In **Jerusalem**, Israeli forces destroyed an entrance gate as they stormed a home in Al-Ram, forcibly shut down 3 merchant shops in Hizma village and closed down a car wash in Al-Sheikh Jarrah neighbourhood. In **Ramallah**, Israeli settlers torched a vehicle, smashed the windshield of a Palestinian Police vehicle and damaged several other vehicles during stoning attack by Israeli settler near Bet El settlement junction, damaged 4 vehicles during a settler stoning attack along the main road connecting Ramallah and Nablus, Israeli settlers set fire to a home and destroyed several Olive trees in Ras Kar Kar, Israeli settlers set fire to 30 Olive trees in Deir Jrier.In **Tubas**, Israeli forces set fire to agricultural land and destroyed several acres of wheat harvest after a tear gas grenade canister exploded near agricultural land as they were conducting military training in Tayasir village. In **Jenin**, Israeli forces demolished 5 rooms used as merchant stores in Barta'a Al-Sharqiya. In **Qalqiliya**, Israeli settlers set fire to agricultural land in the area between Jit village and Far'ata and as a result destroyed 20 Dunums (acres) of wheat crops, 20 Olive trees were destroyed after Israeli forces fired tear gas grenades towards agricultural land and a tear gas canister exploded during demonstrations in Kafr Qaddum, Wheat crop harvests were destroyed after Israeli settlers set fire to land near Far'ata village, Israeli forces demolished 2 storage sheds used as vegetable and fruit stand near the entrance of Jinsafut behind the wall gate separating Qalqiliya, Israeli forces set fire to 40 Olive trees after a tear gas grenade canister exploded near agricultural land during demonstrations near Kafr Qaddum and destroyed 2 storage rooms at the entrance Wadi Qana area.. In **Nablus**, Israeli settlers destroyed 30 Olive trees and 5 dunums of wheat crops in Asira Al-Qibliya, Israeli settlers uprooted 300 Olive trees in Awarta and set fire to a vehicle in Ein Buis village, Israeli settlers destroyed 100 Olive trees after spraying toxic chemicals on agricultural land in Burin village, Israeli settlers demolished a water well, damaged 1200 Olive trees, demolished a concrete fence in Aqraba, Israeli settlers set fire to wheat crops in Beit Furiq, Israeli settlers uprooted and damaged 150 Olive trees in Yatma village, Israeli settlers caused damage to a plant Greenhouse shop, slashed the tires of 2 agricultural tractors and destroyed 4 Tombstones at a cemetery in Al-Sawiya village, Israeli settlers damaged several Olive and almond trees in Al-Nabi Samuel village, damaged a vehicle during a settler stoning attack near "Shave Shomron" settlement junction, damaged 20 Olive trees in Burin and Israeli forces uprooted several Olive trees as they levelled a plot of land in Beit Dajan village. In **Bethlehem**, Israeli settlers damaged 30 Olive trees in Nihalin village. In **Hebron**, Israeli forces uprooted and destroyed several vegetable crops as well as destroying irrigation pipelines in Al-Baq'a area, Israeli forces damaged a vehicle after opening fire towards it and caused it to overturn in Turama village, Israeli settlers set fire wheat crops in Tuba village, Israeli settlers damaged and destroyed 70 Olive trees in East Yatta, Israeli settlers damaged several olive tree in Um Nir village in Yatta, Israeli forces damaged several Olive and almond trees as they demolished 3 water wells and connected water network as well as surrounding concrete fence as they levelled land in Tarqumiya, Israeli forces demolished a storage room in Al-Qum village, Israeli forces uprooted Olive trees and destroyed a water well and connecting irrigation network lines and destroyed an electrical network as they levelled land in Beit Ulla. In **Gaza**, Israeli Naval vessels damaged a Palestinian fishing boats well as damaging the main engines and flash lights. In **Rafah**, Israeli Naval Vessels opened fire towards and damaged a fishing boat, damaged 2 engines and 6 flash lights of a fishing boat off the shores of Rafah.

In addition, the Israeli army delivered demolition notices for 7 storage dens in Tubas, halt to construction notices for 10 homes in Deir Nathim village in Ramallah, eviction orders for 2 homes in the Jordan Valley area in Tubas, demolition notices for several olive trees located behind the wall in Qalqiliya, demolition order for a water well in Um Al-Kheir village in Yatta, eviction notice for a plot of land near the wall in Beit Ulla in Hebron, demolition order for a stone cutting factory in Jenin, demolition order for a water well and 2 storage dens used to house live stock in Yatta, orders for the eviction of a plot of land near “Aerial” settlement in Salfit and served demolition notices for 8 merchant shops in Barta’a Al-Sharqiya in Jenin.

Property damage operations included the following confiscations:

Several computers were confiscated by Israeli forces in Jerusalem, Tulkarem, Tubas, Qalqiliya and Nablus.

Jerusalem: Israeli forces confiscated several files from a Law Firm office in Al-Ram and several surveillance cameras in Silwan.

Ramallah: Israeli forces confiscated a bulldozer in Burqa village.

Jericho: Israeli forces positioned at Al-Humbra checkpoint confiscated a water tank owned by the Palestinian Water Authority which was being transferred to the Bedouin communities for drinking purposes.

North Gaza: Israeli Naval officers confiscated a Palestinian fishing boat off the shores of North Gaza,

11. Settlement Activities

A total of 8 settlement activity incidents occurred during the month of May which included:

Israeli authorities began levelling land and paving roads between “Movo Dotan” and several settlement outposts in Ya’bad village in Jenin, Israeli government approved tenders for the construction of 296 settlement units on Bet El settlement in north Al-Bireh on land occupied in 1967. Israeli Authorities approved tenders for the construction of 1097 settlement units (300 in “Ramot” settlement and “797” settlement units in “Gilo” settlement) located in east Jerusalem on land occupied in 1967. Israeli forces levelled a plot of land in Wadi Al-Hussein area in the old city of Hebron, Israeli forces levelled 45 dunums (acres) of land in Aqraba village in Nablus, levelled a plot of land near the wall in Tarqumiya, Israeli forces levelled 250 acres (dunums) , Israeli forces levelled 80 acres (dunums) of land and uprooted several Olive and almond trees in Beit Ulla in Hebron.

12. Settler Violence

A total of 127 incidents of Settler violence occurred during the month of May including:

In **Jerusalem**, Israeli settler stormed Shu’fat neighbourhood, slashed the tires of 7 vehicles in Al-Sheikh Jarrahneighbourhood, seized 2 merchant stores in the old city of Jerusalem, and installed mobile homes on a plot of land in Al-Nabi Samual village in an attempt to confiscate it, pumped sewage waste onto agricultural land in Al-Nabi Samuel village and slandered several Palestinian residents near Bab Al-Amoud gate in the old city. In **Ramallah**, Israeli settlers stoned residents in Ras Kar Kar village, set fire to agricultural land in Beit Illu village, hurled a Molotov fire bomb towards a vehicle travelling along the main road near “Bet El “ Settlement, stoned a Palestinian Police vehicle and tossed a can of paint towards another vehicle travelling along the main road connecting Ramallah and Nablus, damaged several Olive trees between Kharbatha Bani Harith and Bil’in village, closed the road leading to Aboud, attempted to storm several homes in Al-Nabi Saleh village, stoned several vehicles near Bet El junction, assaulted and stormed several homes and set fire to a home including several olive tree planted near the home as they stormed Ras Kar Kar village, set fire to 20

Olive trees in Deir Jrier, stormed Beit Elluo village , slashed the tires of 3 vehicles and spray painted racist graffiti onto them .In **Jenin**, Israeli settlers stormed the area between Silat Al-Thaher and Ajja village and stormed agricultural land in Arraba and Ya'bad. In **Tulkarem**, Israeli settlers attempted to steal 7 heads of livestock (Cows) in Kafr Al-Labad and stoned vehicles travelling along the road between Shufa and Izbit Shufa. In **Qalqiliya**, Israeli settlers stormed and set fire to wheat crops near Farta'a village and ran over a resident in Al-Nabi Elisa's village .In **Nablus**, Israeli settler set fire to agricultural land in Asira Al-Qibliya and Orif villages, uprooted 300 olive trees in Awarta village, set fire to a vehicle in Einbiuis village, stormed the outskirts of Orif, levelled agricultural land in Burin, sprayed toxic chemicals onto Olive trees in Burin village, stormed a home(under construction) located near the outskirts of Burin, a settler ran over a child with his vehicle in Beita, set fire to agricultural land in in Orif village, paved a road near Josephs ton in Sabastiya, set fire to wheat crops in Beit Furiq, stoned residents and vehicles near Huwwara checkpoint, uprooted and damaged 150 Olive trees in Yatma village, stormed Al-Sawiya, set fire to agricultural land in Qarwut village, uprooted 25 olive tree near the entrance of Burin village and levelled several plots of land for road paving near Qarwut village. In **Salfit**, Israeli settlers stoned vehicles near Za'tara checkpoint, set fire to agricultural land in Deir Al-Hatab, paved a 500 m road in Wadi Qana area, installed 2 mobile homes in Beita near Za'tara junction .In **Jericho**, Israeli settlers set fire to 7 vehicles and a tractor in Al-Zibidat and Marj Al-Na'jeh village. **Bethlehem**, Israeli settler slashed the tires of 3 vehicles in Beit Jalla, prevented a resident (farmer) and his wife from entering their agricultural land in Al-Khadr, damaged 30 olive trees in Nahhalin village, stoned several homes near the outskirts of Wadi Fuqin.

In **Hebron**, Israeli settlers set fire to agricultural land and destroyed several acres of wheat crops in Zif village, a Israeli settler vehicle ran over and injured a child along Al-Zif village junction, an Israeli settler ran over a 9 year old child with his vehicle in the old city of Hebron, Israeli settlers set fire to several tires near Ithna junction and impeded the free flow of traffic, assaulted and injured a child near Yatta, mapped out several plots of land in Wadi Al-Hassin area which connects "Kiryat Arbaa' " settlement and Al-Ibrahimi mosque in the old city of Hebron in order confiscation purposes, Israeli settlers damaged and uprooted 70 Olive trees in Al-Tuwani village in east Yatta, opened fire towards several homes and residents in Beit Anun assaulted and injured a resident in East Yatta, assaulted and injured several residents near Bab Al-Zawiya in Hebron, installed several mobile homes on land near Al-Tuwani village in Yatta, sprayed toxic chemicals on several grape vines in Beit Ummar, stormed the entrance of Beit Ummar during which Israeli forces fired rubber coated steel bullets and tear gas grenades towards residents as the attempted to prevent the settler attack and as a result injured 11 residents and left several residents including a 4 month old infant suffocated from tear gas inhalation.

13. Closure of Crossing Points

The Israeli military completely closed crossing points into the Gaza Strip, including access points within the Green Line, on **144** occasions during the month of May. The Israeli military closed crossing points within the Green Line on **108** occasions. It opened ***Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing*** for 27 days for previously-coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals and ***Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing*** for 20 days for transportation of food supplies, humanitarian aid, and cooking gas. In addition to allowing in animal feed, construction cargo designated for UNRWA and internationally-funded projects was transported through the Crossing. ***Sufa Crossing*** was closed throughout the month. On the other hand, the Israeli authorities have continued to unilaterally close ***Ash Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing***. Beginning on 02 March 2011, the Israeli authorities has also continued to completely close ***Al Muntar (Karnei) Commercial Crossing***.

The Israeli military closed international crossing points on **36** occasions. ***Rafah Crossing*** was open for 26 days to allow access to civilians departing the Gaza Strip and to those arriving from Egypt. ***Yasser Arafat International Airport*** has remained closed since the outbreak of the second *Intifada*.