PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP



MONTHLY SUMMARY OF ISRAELI VIOLATIONS 01 May2014 – 31 May 2014

The following summary tables and overview of events survey hostile Israeli activities during the period 01 May2014 to 31May 2014. 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 2014

- May 2nd 2014: Israeli forces positioned near "Pisagot" settlement located in east Al-Birch city, fired rubber coated steel bullets, stun and tear gas grenades towards several children for alleged stoning and as a result injured 2 children: Amr Abu Al-Rub (16 years old) and Abdullah Al-Salamin (15 years old) then occupied Wahib Qadura'a home and converted it into a military post.
- May 15th 2014:Israeli forces raided Bab Al-Zawiya area in Hebron clashed with several residents and as a result injured 6 residents including 5 children: Hamza Abu Hammad (13 years old), Ayman Idris (13 years old), Diya Abdel Hafith (16 years old), Yazan Al-Sha'wouri (17 years old), Ali Ghayth (17 years old) and Oday Al-Tarad then withdrew at 20:00.
- May15th 2014:a demonstration took place near Ofar prison In Commemoration with the 66 anniversary of Al-Nakba (Catastrophe) and calling for the Implementation of United Nations Resolutions calling for the right of Return, during which they clashed with Israeli forces who fired live ammunition towards demonstrators and as result killed 2 demonstrator's including a child and injured 4 others including a child: Mohammad Al-AGhza (16 years old), Hussien Shawamra, Oday Shamali and Abdel Hakim Al-Qubari.
- May 16th 2014:Israeli forces positioned near Al-Ram junction fired rubber coated steel bullet, stun and tear gas grenades towards several residents for alleged stoning and as a result injured 3 residents including 2 children: Eyad Abu Ramouz (17 years old), Khaled Al-Basti (15 years old) and Alaa Abu Gharib.
- May16th 2014:Israeli forces positioned in Bab Al-Zawiya area in Hebron fired rubber coated steel bullets, stun and tear gas grenades towards several residents for alleged stoning and as a result injured 5 residents including 2 children: Mohammad Abu Eisheh (14 years old), Abdel –Halim Al-Bayad (15 years old), Sharif Abu Eisheh, Thaer Mihna, Husam Wjih and Izhaq Zahida.
- May19th 2014:Israeli forces raided Samir Amis area located in north Jerusalem, clashed with residents and as a result injured 6 residents including 2 children: Abdel Karim Al-Masri (16 years old), Baha Barakat (17 years old), Jihad Abu Sneineh, Hatem Abu Eisheh, Samir Abu Sneineh and Ahmad Abu Barakat.
- May 27th 2014:Dr. Samih Wahish, a resident of Abu Dis died of complications after suffocating from tear gas inhalations during confrontations with Israeli forces in Abu Dis on May 23rd 2014.
- May 29th 2014:an Israeli settler vehicle ran over and injured the child Mahdi Mohammad (10 years old) near road (90) on Al-Oja village leaving him hospitalised with severe contusions.
- May30th 2014:Israeli forces raided Um Irish village and an Israeli Military vehicle ran over and injured Osama Shahin leaving him hospitalised with contusions.

SUMMARY TABLE OF EVENTS IN THE OCCUPIED PALESTINIAN TERRITORY – MAY 2014

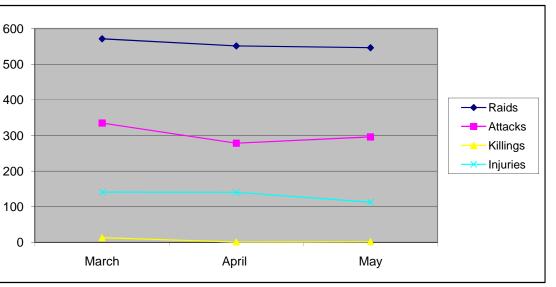
EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	COMMENTS
Killing	2	0	2	 On May 15th 2014, Nadim Nuwara (17 years old) a resident of Al-Mazra'a Al-Sharqiya and Mohammad Abu Daher, a resident of Abu Shkedium village were killed during confrontations with Israeli forces near Ofar Military base in Ramallah. On May 27th 2014Dr. Samih Wahish, a resident of Abu Dis died of complications after suffocating from tear gas inhalations during confrontations with Israeli forces in Abu Dis on May 23rd 2014.
Injuries	101	12	113	• A total of 113 injuries were reported in the month of May (101 Palestinians in the West Bank and 12 in the Gaza Strip). Injuries included 25 children, 2 Fishermen, 1 journalist and 2 Women.
Attacks	242	54	296	 A total of 296 attacks were reported to have taken place during the month of May (242 in the West Bank and 54 in the Gaza Strip). The Israeli military carried out 9 attacks during raids into Palestinian residential areas, 233 attacks during confrontations between the Israeli military and Palestinians, 28 attacks from Israeli military posts on civilian homes and property, and 3 from settler attacks. In addition Israeli navy vessels carried out 20 attacks on Palestinian fishermen and territory and Israeli aircrafts carried out 17 attacks on civilian targets. .
Raids	535	11	546	• The Israeli military carried out a total of 546 raids in Palestinian residential areas during the month of May, including 535 in the West Bank and 11 in the Gaza Strip. The majority of Israeli military raids were reported to have taken place in the districts of Jerusalem (28); Ramallah (62); Jenin (53); Tubas (15); Tulkarem (34); Qalqiliya (36); Nablus (81); Salfit (23); Jericho (10); Bethlehem (82); Hebron (111); North Gaza (2), Gaza (4) and Khan Yunis (5).
Arrests	413	20	433	• During the month of May, the Israeli military arrested 433 Palestinians (413 the West Bank and 20 in the Gaza Strip). The majority of arrests took place in the districts of Jerusalem (101); Ramallah (45); Jenin (27); Tubas (11) Tulkarem (11); Qalqiliya (43); Nablus (51); Salfit (16); Jericho (5); Bethlehem (41); Hebron (62), North Gaza (8), Central Gaza (1), Gaza (6) and Rafah (5). Among those arrested by the Israeli military were: 57 children; 12 University student, 13 fisherman and 13 Security officers.
Home Demolition	20	_	20	During the month of May 2014 the Israeli military demolished Palestinian homes and residential tents which consisted of the following: Israeli forces demolished 13 mobile homes in Al-Jiftlik village in Jericho. Israeli forces demolished a residential tent and 2 Barracks in Jabal Al-Baba located in Al-Eizariya in Jerusalem District. Israeli forces demolished a home (140 m2) in Jabal Al-Mukabbir neighbourhood in Jerusalem. Israeli forces demolished 3 homes in Khirbit Al-Tawil area located in east Aqraba in Nablus. The Israeli Military served the following demolition orders during the Month of May 2014:

				 Israeli forces served demolition orders to demolish 2 residential tents in Al-Humra area in Jericho. Israeli forces served demolition orders to demolish a home in Al-Walaja village in Bethlehem. Israeli forces served demolition orders to demolish 11 residential tents giving its owners 20 days for implementation in Khirbit Ghiyoun located in south Samou' in Hebron. Israeli forces served demolition orders to demolish several residential tents in Khirbit Mas'oud area located in Ya'bad in Jenin.
Home Occupation	5	0	5	The Israeli Military occupied 5homes in Bethlehem and Hebron during the month of May and converted their rooftops into Military posts.
Closure of Crossing Points	0	167	167	The Israeli military completely closed crossing points into the Gaza Strip, including access points within the Green Line, on 112 occasions during the month of May The Israeli military closed crossing points within the Green Line on 55 occasions.
Flying Checkpoints	491	0	491	The Israeli military set up 491 flying checkpoints in May and searched Palestinian civilians and vehicles in and around Palestinian residential areas in the districts of Jerusalem (79); Ramallah (41); Jenin (15), Tubas (17); Tulkarem (20); Qalqiliya (43); Nablus (63); Salfit (24); Jericho (77); Bethlehem (46) and Hebron (66).
Provocation of Palestinian Forces	3	0	3	The Israeli military provoked or harassed Palestinian National Security forces on 1 Occasion, Palestinian Police on 1 occasions and Civil Defence force officers on 1 occasion.
Destruction and Confiscation of Public and Private property	101	7	108	Damages included: Home furniture, damaged an entrance vehicles, Olive trees, barrack's and handed out demolition orders
Settler Violence	67	0	67	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	21	0	21	Israeli settler raided the vicinity of Al-Aqsa mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem on several occasions, prevented worshipers from entering the mosque and prevented call for prayer from Al-Aqsa mosque.
Assault on Educational Sector	1	0	1	Israeli forces stormed a school, fired tear gas grenades towards students in Al-Khadr in Bethlehem.
Assault on Health Sector	2	0	2	Israeli forces fired tear gas grenades towards a government hospital in Jenin causing the hospital windows to shatter.
Settlement Activity	7	0	7	Israeli authority's levelled land between "Brujin" and Eli Za'if" settlement in Salfit. Israeli Authorities in the Jerusalem Municipality approved planes for the construction of 50 new settlements unites which include 5 buildings each consisting of 5-6 floors in "Har Homa" settlement located in Jerusalem on Palestinian land occupied in 1967. Israeli Authorities placed the foundation stone to inaugurate the construction of a Jewish Synagogue approximately 200m west of Al-Aqsa mosque in the old city of Jerusalem on land occupied in 1967 and Israeli forces levelled land to pave a rod between Al-Yanun village and Settlement outpost "777" in east Aqrabalsraeli Authorities approved plans for the construction of a Park on Land in Al-Isawiya village and Jabal Al-Tur neighbourhood in Jerusalem and will lead to the confiscation of 700 dunumes (acres) of east Jerusalem land occupied in 1967
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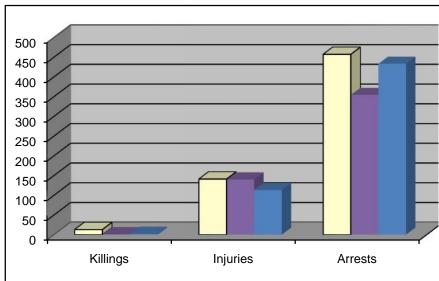
COMPARISON TABLE OF EVENTS OVER THE PAST THREE MONTHS

EVENT	MARCH 2014	APRIL 2014	MAY 2014	COMMENTS
Killings	13	1	2	An increase by 100% compared to the last month (April).
Injuries	141	140	113	A decrease of 19.2% compared the last month (April) and decrease of 19.9% compared to March.
injuries				The number of children injured is 25 compared with 22 in April and 17March.
Attacks	335	278	296	An increase in the number of attacks by 6.5% compared to last month (April) and a decrease of 14% compared to March.
Raids	571	551	546	A decrease by 0.9% compared to April and a decrease by 4.37% compared to March.
Arrests	457	354	433	A decrease of 22.3% compared to April and a decrease of 5.3% compared to March. The number of arrested children was 57 compared to 66 in March and 23 in April.
Home	13	35	20	A decrease of 42.9% compared to last month (April) and increase of 53.8% compared to last March.
Demolition				
Attacks on	142	122	108	A decrease of 11.5% compared to last month (April) and decrease of by 24% compared to last March.
Property				
Home	15	14	5	A decrease of 64.3% compared to last moth (April)
Occupation				
Curfews	3	2	0	No curfew's imposed during the month of May.
Flying	484	511	491	A decrease of 3.9% compared to last month (April) and an increase of 1.4% compared to (March).
Checkpoints				
Closure of Crossing	162	165	167	The Israeli military closed crossing points within the Green Line on 112 occasions compared to 112 last month. <i>Yasser Arafat International Airport</i> has remained closed since the outbreak of the second <i>Intifada</i> .
Points				Rafah (Al-Awda) crossing point was open 7 times by Israeli military during the month of May.
Attacks on	23	29	21	A decrease of 27.6% compared to April and a decrease 8.7% compared to March.
Religious Sites				
Assault on	0	3	2	2 incidents of assault on Health sector for this month.
Health Sector				
School Disruption	1	6	1	A substantial decrease compared to last month (April)
Provocation	10	9	3	A decrease of 66.6% compared to last month (April)
of Palestinian				
Forces	87	77	70	A decrease of 0.10% since lead we will (A will) and decrease of 10.50% account of March
Settlement	87	77	/0	A decrease of 9.1% since last month (April) and decrease of 19.5% compared to March.
Activity &Settler				
Violence				
violence	2466	2297	2278	During the month of May, the total incidents decreased by 0.82% compared to Aprildue to the decrease in the number of
TOTAL	2400	2291	2210	raids, Killings, and. Likewise, total events decreased by 7.62%% compared to March as a result in the decrease in the number of checkpoints, killings, Attacks, raids and assault on Places of Worship.

COMPARISON OF ISRAELI RAIDS, ATTACKS AND PALESTINIAN HUMAN CASUALTIES OVER THE PAST 3 MONTHS



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ANALYSIS OF EVENTS

• Killings and Assassinations: A total of 2killing was reported in the month of May:

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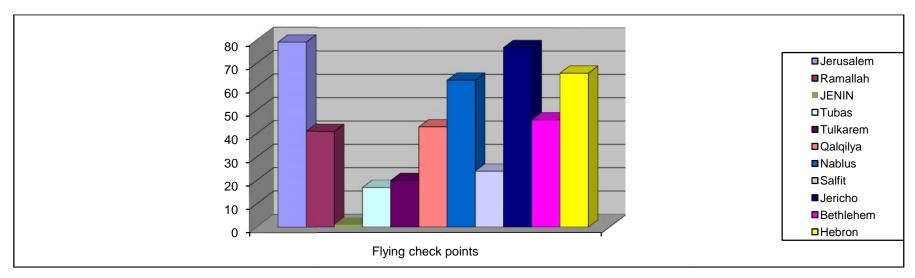
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Israeli forces temporarily detained 338 residents at checkpoint and in residential area including 48 children, 2Journalists, a Palestine Television news crew, 4 Women, 2 special needs patients and 2 fishermen.

• 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 March 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).

The Israeli military installed 491 flying checkpoints in May (compared with 511 in April and 484 in March) and as a result restricted the free access and movement of residents, merchant supplies and agricultural goods.



Distribution of flying checkpoints in the West Bank

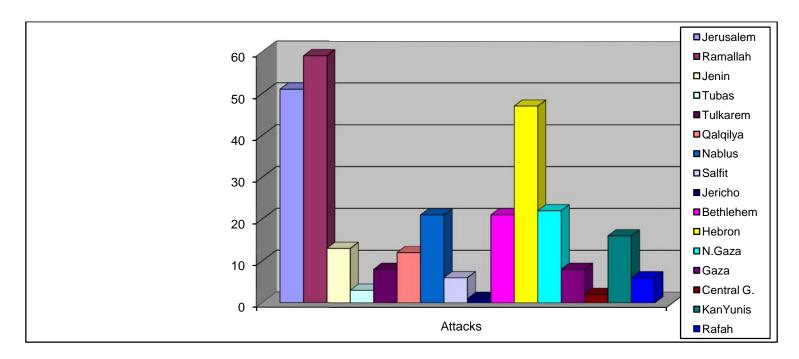
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At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the Israeli military declared a unilateral ceasefire following the large-scale offensive it had launched against the Gaza Strip. However, the Israeli military violated the ceasefire on 54 occasions during the month of May(compared to 94 last April). Also disregarding Israel's unilaterally declared ceasefire armed Palestinian groups fired 4 mortar rounds.

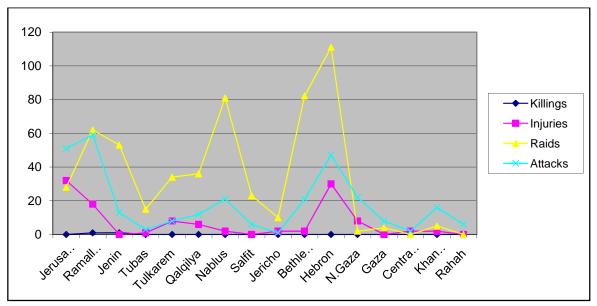


Attacks on residential areas in West Bank districts

• Raids

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The Israeli military opened fire on 242 occasions during raids and clashes with civilians. (A total of 81.8% of attacks) *The chart below shows the correlation between the number of raids and the resulting human casualties in May.*



• Home Demolition

During the month of May 2014 the Israeli military demolished Palestinian homes and residential tents which consisted of the following:

- Israeliforces demolished 13 mobile homes in Al-Jiftlik village in Jericho.
- Israeli forces demolished a residential tent and 2 Barracks in Jabal Al-Baba located in Al-Eizariya in Jerusalem District.
- Israeli forces demolished a home (140 m²) in Jabal Al-Mukabbir neighbourhood in Jerusalem.
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Attacks on Public and Private Property

A total of 108 **incidents of destruction and confiscation** of Palestinian public and private property by Israeli settlers and Israeli forces were reported in April 2014

Attack on Public and Private property occurred as follows per District:

<u>Jerusalem:</u>Israeli forces demolished merchant shop, a home appliance store and Carpentry shop in Al-Jib village, demolished 6 livestock barracks in Jabal Baba area in Al-Eizariya and in east Anata, forced several merchants to close their shops in Abu Dis, demolished an Aluminium factory in Ras Al-Amoud neighbourhood, a carpentry store in Shu'fat neighbourhood and a storage shed in Beit Hanina.

<u>Ramallah& Al-Bireh</u>: Israeli settlers set fire to agricultural crops in Deir Jerier village, Israeli forces set fire to 4 acres of wheat crops in Al-Mughier village after a tear gas grenade canister exploded on agricultural land and Israeli settlers damaged and uprooted 51 Olive trees in Ras Kar Kar village.

<u>Jenin:</u> Israeli forces damaged furniture as they stormed and searched 9 homes in Jenin camp, shattered the windows of a governmental hospital in Jenin, damaged a vehicle as they raided Bruqin village, and uprooted 200 Olive trees in Arraba village located near "Movo Dotan" settlement.

<u>Nablus:</u> Israeli settlers damaged a vehicle and damaged several Olive trees in Burin village, damaged the front windshield of a vehicle in Awarta village, uprooted and damaged several Olive trees in Qaryut village, Israeli forces damaged several agricultural crops as they conducted military training in Khirbit Al-Taweel area in Aqraba, demolished 3 medical clinics established at a mosque which had previously been demolished by Israeli forces and a water well in Khirbit Al-Taweel area in Aqraba, Israeli archeological authorities began digging for archeological sites on land in Khilat Hamida area which islocated between Al-Sawiya and "Rahalim" settlement, prevented residents from farming their agricultural land in Karm Al-Thib area located Kafr Qalil, Israeli forces uprooted 25 Olive and Almond trees located near a bypass road in Madama village.

Qalqiliya: Israeli forces set fire to and destroyed several Olive trees after a tear gas grenade canister exploded on agricultural land near the wall gate in Qalqiliya and set fire to approximately 3 acres of agricultural land near the wall gate in Hablah village.

Salfit: Israeli settler damaged 30 Olive trees on agricultural land in Harris village.

Jericho: Israeli forces destroyed 18 barracks in Jiftlik village.

Bethlehem: Israeli settlers damaged 120 Grape vines after they herded their sheep on agricultural land in Al-Sha'f area in Al-Khadr, uprooted several Olive trees on approximately 12 acres of land in Wadi Salim area in Nahhalin village, uprooted 58 Olive trees in Husan village, Israeli settlers installed several mobile homes on a plot of land in Taqou' in an attempt to confiscate the land and establish a new settlement outpost, Israeli forces damaged a vehicle after firing stun and tear gas grenades towards vehicle sin in Al-Duheisha camp, Israeli settlers chopped off the limbs of several olive trees and up rooted 54 Olive trees in Jamjum area in Nihalin village.

<u>Hebron:</u> Israeli forces removed 10 electricity poles and destroyed a 500m long electrical network in Al-Ras area in Ithna, demolished the surrounding walls of a home as they were digging on agricultural land for archeological sites in Tel Al-Rumayda neighbourhood, Israeli settlers set fire and destroyed several Olive trees in Tel Al-Rumayda neighbourhood, Israeli forces dug several plots of land and destroyed approximately 10 acres of wheat crops in Jinba village in south Yatta and Israeli settlers destroyed approximately 70 Olive tree, almond trees and grape vines in Wadi Abu Al-Rish area in Beit Ummar.

The Israeli military served the following Halt to construction and demolition orders for the month of May 2014:

- The Israeli Military served a demolition order to demolish a barracks in Ras Attiya village in Qalqiliya.
- The Israeli Military served a demolition orderto demolishbarracks in Al-Hara area in Jericho.
- The Israeli Military served halt to construction order for the construction water network in Al-Jiftlik village in Jericho.
- The Israeli Military served a demolition order for the demolition of 2 barracks and a water network as well as uprooting several Olive trees on approximately 12 acres of land in Khirbit Yarza village in Tubas.
- The Israeli Military served halt to construction order for the rehabilitation of a road in located between Atouf and Ras Al-Ahmar village in Tubas.
- The Israeli Military served demolition orders for the demolition of 6 barracks in Bardala village in Tubas.

- The Israeli military served a halt to construction order for 11 barracks and 20 merchant shops in Al-Samou' in Hebron
- The Israeli military served a demolition order for a chicken coup and 5 barracks in Qutna village in Jerusalem.
- The Israeli military served a demolition order for 7 homes and eviction of its residents in Al-Malah area the North Jordan valley in Tubas.
- The Israeli military served demolition orders for a car wash, a vehicle repair shop and a horse barn in Um Al-Rakaba area in Al-Khader in Bethlehem.

<u>Israeli forces confiscated the following property during the month of May 2014:</u>

- <u>Jerusalem:</u> Israeli forces confiscatedseveral residential tents in Jabal Al-Baba area in Al-Eizariya, a computer and cellular telephone after detaining him as they stormed his home in Abu Dis.
- Ramallah: Israeli forces confiscated a computer and surveillance camera footage from a home in Beituniya.
- Tulkarem: Israeli forces confiscated a computer after detaining a resident as they stormed his home in Allar.
- Nablus: Israeli forces confiscated 3 residential tents after demolishing them in Khirbeit Al-Taweel area located in Aqraba village.
- Bethlehem: Israeli forces confiscated several tons of construction stone near a home (under construction) in Husan village.
- Hebron: Israeli forces confiscated surveillance camera footage from a merchant shop and a reception hall in Wadi A-Juz area in Bani Na'im.
- North Gaza: Israeli forces confiscated a fishing boat off the shores of North Gaza.
- Gaza: Israeli forces confiscated a fishing boat off the shores of Gaza.
- Rafah: Israeli forces confiscated 3 fishing boats off the shores of Rafah.

• Settlement Activity:

Israeli authority's levelled land between "Brujin" and Eli Za'if" settlement in Salfit. Israeli Authorities in the Jerusalem Municipality approved planes for the construction of 50 new settlements unites which include 5 buildings each consisting of 5-6 floors in "Har Homa" settlement located in Jerusalem on Palestinian land occupied in 1967. Israeli Authorities placed the foundation stone to inaugurate the construction of a Jewish Synagogue approximately 200m west of Al-Aqsa mosque in the old city of Jerusalem on land occupied in 1967 and Israeli forces levelled land to pave a rod between Al-Yanun village and Settlement outpost "777" in east AqrabaIsraeli Authorities approved plans for the construction of a Park on Land in Al-Isawiya village and Jabal Al-Tur neighbourhood in Jerusalem and will lead to the confiscation of 700 dunumes (acres) of east Jerusalem land occupied in 1967

• <u>Settler Violence</u>

A total of 63 incidents of Settler violence occurred during the month of Mayincluding:

Jerusalem: Israeli settler assaulted a child in Jerusalem, assaulted a resident in Mikhmas village, sprayed pepper spray onto the face of 2 security guards at Al-Aqsa Mosque compound.

<u>Ramallah:</u> Israeli settlers set fire to agricultural land in Beit Illo village, set fire to agricultural land in Deir Jerier village, assaulted and injured residentnear Al-Tayba junction, installed several tents on agricultural land in Deir Jerier an attempt to confiscate it and uprooted and damaged 51 Olive trees in Ras Kar Village.

<u>Qalqiliya:</u> Israeli settlers pointed guns towards 2 residents and threatened to shot them near a merchant shop in Al-Nabi Elisa's, installed several mobile homes on agricultural land in Jabal Mohammad area located in Kafr Qaddum village and ran over a resident with a vehicle along the main road connecting Qalqiliya and Nablus near Al-Nabi Elisa's village.

<u>Nablus:</u> Israeli settlers attempted to steal several goats and stonedresidents and vehicles as well as chopped the limbs of several Olive trees in Burin village, chopped off the limbs and uprooted several Olive trees and sprayed chemicals on fruit bearing trees in Qaryut, stormed homes and agricultural land in east

Burin, stormed Al-Mas'udiya area in Burqa village stormed agricultural land in Kar Kasa area located west Jarawish village and opened fire from their vehicle as they stormed Aqraba village..

Salfit: Israeli settlers stoned homes as they stormed Kifl Harris and Harris village and stormed Wadi Al-Sha'er area in Ammuriya village.

Jericho: Israeli settlers ran over and injured a child along road (90) in Al-Oja village, opened fire from their vehicle as they stormed Al-Jiftlik village, ran over a child in Al-Oja village, opened fire towards residents and used attack dogs on several other residents in Ein Al-Dweik village and assaulted and injured a Sheppard near Al-Newi'meh village.

Bethlehem: Israeli settlers stormed Ush Al-Ghurab area in Beit Sahur, stormed agricultural land while they were herding goats and as a result damaged several grape vines and installed asewage pipe line in Al-Khadr, uprooted and chopped the limbs of 58 Olive trees in Husan village, chopped off the limbs of several Olive trees and uprooted 54 others in Al-Jamjum area in Nihalin village.

<u>Hebron:</u>Israeli settlers set fire to wheat crops in east Yatta, an Israeli settler vehicle ran over a child in the old city of Hebron, chopped down 70 Olive, almond trees and grape vines using an electric saw in Beit Ummar.

• Closure of Crossing Points

The Israeli military completely closed crossing points into the Gaza Strip, including access points within the Green Line, on 167 occasions during the month of May. The Israeli military closed crossing points within the Green Line on 112 occasions. It opened *Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing* for 24 days for previously-coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals and *Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing* for 19 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 was closed throughout the month. On the other hand, the Israeli authorities have continued to unilaterally close *Ash Shuja'iya (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 **55**occasions. *Rafah Crossing* was open for 7days 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*.