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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 06 April 2005 – 08:00 07 April 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	8	_	8	Incl. 2 in Ramallah and 5 in Salfit
Attacks	9	7	16	Incl. 2 during raids and 10 from posts
Raids	18	2	20	Incl. 5 in Bethlehem & 2 in Rafah
Air Patrol	4	_	4	Incl. over Jenin and Qabatiya
Arrests (per person)	16		16	Incl. 4 children
Detentions	9	2	11	At checkpoints
House Demolition	1		1	In Bir Nabala in Jerusalem
Wall Construction	23	_	23	Incl. Jer., Jenin, Ram'lah, Beth., Salfit
Destruction of Property	2	_	2	Incl. sheep pens demolished
Land Confiscation	2	_	2	Incl. 1,500 dunums in Hebron
Checkpoints	(All)	_	(All)	
Flying Checkpoints	14		14	Incl. 2 in Tulkarem & 3 in Jericho
Closure (per District)	4	_	4	Incl. Jerusalem and Jericho (partially)
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(9)		Incl. 2 partially
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)		(All)	Incl. searches at 'Azzun 'Atma
Closure of Crossing Points		3	3	Incl. 2 partially open
School Disruption	1	_	1	Students and teachers delayed
Settler Violence	2	_	2	Incl. crops poisoned near Ma'on
Palestinian Attacks	2	1	3	Incl. 1 mortar fired towards Gadid
Pal. Security Measures	1		1	1 illegal vehicle handed to Israelis
Demonstrations	3		3	In Rantis, Bil'in, and Deir Ballut
TOTAL	119	15	134	

DISTRICT	EVENT		
ALL DISTRICTS	Beginning on 11 November 2004, following the official announcement of the death of Palestinian President Yasser Arafat, the Israeli army continues to impose a total closure on the West Bank, preventing civilians and workers from crossing the Green Line.		

WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to impose strict restrictions at checkpoints set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and dispatched patrols to prevent civilians from other districts from entering the city. Checkpoints: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Qalandiya and An Nabi Samwil checkpoints and obstructed civilian movement. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close Ar Ram Junction leading to the town of Bir Nabala for Wall construction. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat Al Aqbat, the villages of Hizma and 'Anata, the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya, near Al Quds University, the area of Ash Shayyah, in the town of As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya, the village of Beit Surik, and in the section of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina. Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks, completely prohibiting civilians from crossing. House Demolition/Destruction of Property: The Israeli army demolished a 2-storey house and a number of sheep pens belonging to Nayef Mohammed Muleihat in the town of Bir Nabala. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Adham Nayef Juweihan in the neighbourhood of Ath Thuri in the city of Jerusalem.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Flying Checkpoints/Destruction of Property: At 12:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the villages of Kafr Ni'ma and Deir Ibzi' and arrested 3 civilians after destroying their vehicle. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Bil'in, Saffa, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya. Attack: At 18:45, the Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire from a hill south of the neighbourhood of Um ash Sharayet in the city of Ramallah. Raids: At 10:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the city of Ramallah and patrolled the area. At 10:45, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the city of El Bireh and patrolled the area.

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	 Arrests: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up between the villages of Kafr Ni'ma and Deir Ibzi' arrested 3 unidentified civilians. Demonstrations: At 11:00, a mass demonstration took place in the village of Rantis in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 2 civilians. At 12:45, a mass demonstration took place in the village of Bil'in in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.
JENIN	 Flving Checkpoint: At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the road to Wadi al Far'a, searched civilian vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement. At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the road to the village of Sanur and prevented civilians from crossing in both directions. Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Raids: At 12:35, Israeli army infantry forces raided the area between the villages of Al Far'a and Yasid, after an Israeli army helicopter dispatched them. The Israeli troops set up a checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles. At 13:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Qabatiya and searched a number of houses, commercial shops, and blacksmiths' workshops. Armed Palestinian individuals exchanged fire with the Israeli army. At 17:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. At 16:25, the Israeli army raided the area of Ash Shuhada' junction south of the city of Jenin. Air Patrol: At 16:20, an Israeli army helicopter patrolled the skies over the city of Jenin and the town of Qabatiya. Palestinian Attack: At 23:30, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards civilian houses in the eastern neighbourhood of the city of Jenin.
TULKAREM	• Flying Checkpoints/Provocation of Palestinian Froces: (i) At 12:25, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the villages of Far'un and Ar Ras and searched civilians and vehicles.

	 (ii) At 20:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the towns of 'Illar and Kafr Ra'i, searched civilians and vehicles, and withdrew at 24:00. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Raids: (i) At 23:25, Israeli army infantry forces raided Wadi at Tin east of the village of Ar Ras, after an Israeli army helicopter dispatched them, and searched the area. (ii) At 01:25, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the town of 'Attil and patrolled the area. (iii) At 02:30, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided Dahiyat Shuweika in the city of Tulkarem and patrolled the area.
QALQILYA	 Wall Gates/School Disruption: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Wall gate to the village of 'Azzun 'Atma. Israeli troops positioned at the Wall gate searched civilians with a metal detector, delaying teachers and students from reaching their schools on time. Land Confiscation: The Israeli army issued Military Order # C/74/05 confiscating 8.5 dunums (2.13 acres) of civilian land belonging to the town of Jayyus and the village of Falamya for military purposes. Palestinian Security Measures: At 14:30, Palestinian security forces confiscated 1 illegal vehicle and handed it to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
NABLUS	 Checkpoint: At 16:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Beit Iba checkpoint and prevented civilians from crossing in both directions. Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up 1 flying checkpoint near the settlement of Shavei Shomron and another flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf, searched civilian vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement. Attack: At 22:00, the Israeli army opened fire and fired flares from its location on At Tur Mountain, south of the city of Nablus, towards the city of Nablus. Raids: At 22:05, the Israeli army raided the villages of Nisf Jubeil and Beit Imrin and searched a number of houses. At 23:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Kafr Qalil. At 23:50, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Asira Ash Shamaliya and searched a number of houses.

	 Arrests: At 21:00, the Israeli army arrested 3 children near the settlement of Alon Moreh: (i) Luqman Younis Hamdan, 16 years old; (ii) Adham Abdul Fattah Issa, 16 years old; and (iii) Nu'man 'Ahed Issa, 16 years old. (iv) At 23:00, Israeli troops positioned at Beit Iba checkpoint arrested Zahi Mousa Surouji.
SALFIT	 Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the town of Deir Ballut and the village of Az Zawiya near the Green Line. Raid: The Israeli army raided the village of Marda, opened fire, and fired sound grenades while patrolling the area. Arrests: At 15:00, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians, including 1 child, in the town of Deir Ballut and detained them in Kedumim Military Detention Camp: 13-year-old Mohammed Issa Mousa; Ahmed Abdullah Mousa. Demonstration: At 15:15, a demonstration took place in the town of Deir Ballut in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 5 civilians.
JERICHO	 Closure: The road between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja (Road # 90) is closed with cement blocks. At various times, the Israeli army prevented civilians and Palestinians holding Israeli IDs from entering the city of Jericho, permitting only Jericho and Jerusalem ID card holders access to the city. Checkpoint: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on Al Hamra junction along Wadi al Badhan road between the districts of Jericho and Nablus, obstructed civilian movement, and detained 5 civilian vehicles. Flving Checkpoints: (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the western entrance to the village of Al 'Auja near the settlement of Yitav (the only entrance connecting Area (A) between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja) and thoroughly searched civilians and vehicles, obstructing civilian movement. Israeli troops also prevented civilians not holding Jericho IDs from entering the city of Jericho. (ii) At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along Al Mu'arrajat road between the cities of Jericho and Ramallah and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 06:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint south of the city of Jericho along the Jericho-Jerusalem road and searched civilians and vehicles.

BETHLEHEM	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close the only road leading to the village of Al Nu'man, northeast of the Bethlehem district, isolating the village and placing it, together with the adjacent village of Al Khas, under the jurisdiction of the Jerusalem municipality. The Israeli army considers the civilian presence in the villages illegal. Checkpoint: At 09:05, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya checkpoint, obstructing civilian movement on both sides of the checkpoint until 11:00. Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall continues north of the district of Bethlehem, along 'Ayda refugee camp, along the tunnel road (Gilo) north of the city of Beit Jala, west of the village of Husan, and in the village of Al Walaja. Raids: At 16:00, the Israeli army raided the village Nahhalin. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during with the Israeli army injured 1 child. At 18:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr, set up a checkpoint on Al Balou' junction, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 19:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the city of Beit Jala and patrolled the area. Israeli army patrols raided the town of Al 'Ubeidiya and the village of Dar Salah and patrolled the area. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 6 students from Al 'Arrub refugee camp while they were on their way to school in the town of Beit Ummar, including: Sameh Al Khatib; Thaer Banat; and Rami Suweilim.
HEBRON	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Al Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh in the H2 section of the city of Hebron with cement blocks and barbed wire, denying civilians and vehicles access. Flying Checkpoint: At 13:00, the Israeli army set up 1 flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and another flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Yatta and searched civilians and vehicles. Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues west of the towns of Surif, Beit Ula, Idhna and Beit 'Awwa, in the area extending from the village of Deir Samit, the town of Beit 'Awwa, and towards the village of Al Burj. Wall Land Confiscation: The Israeli army issued military orders confiscating 1,500 dunums (375 acres) of civilian land belonging to the towns of As Samoa' and Yatta and the area of 'Arab Ar Ramadin for Wall construction.

• Settler Violence:

- (i) At 10:10, a group of Israeli settlers assaulted civilians in Al Qazzazin market in the old city of Hebron.
- (ii) A group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Ma'on scattered poisoned feed and sprayed malt crops with toxic chemicals on pasture areas used for grazing livestock near the settlement.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	Closure: Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open.	
GAZA	 Closure: (i) Nitsareem junction remains closed. (ii) Al Shuhada Junction-Al Muntar Crossing road is closed. 	
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.	
KHAN YUNIS	 Closure: Abu Al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed. Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is partially open. Alon checkpoint (entrance to Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis) south of Deir Al Balah is closed. Deir Al Balah junction to Abu Holi checkpoint (Kfar Darom road) is closed. Morag road, which connects Khan Yunis' eastern and western roads, is closed. Abu Holi road is open. At 09:50, the Israeli army closed Salah Ad Din road between Al Matahin and Abu Holi checkpoint. At 10:05, the road was reopened. Attack: At 12:10, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 10 towards Palestinian territory in West Khan Yunis refugee camp. Palestinian Attack: At 23:00, 1 mortar was fired towards the settlement of Gadid. 	
RAFAH	 Closure: Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. Al Mawasi/Rafah road is partially open. Sufa Crossing is partially open to construction cargo only. Rafah Crossing is open. The Israeli army restricted opening hours of the crossing to 4 hours daily to arrivals only. 	

• Attacks:

- (i) At 10:10, the Israeli army opened fire from its locations at Points 6 and 9 along the Egyptian border towards Palestinian territory in Al Barazil neighbourhood and the area surrounding the neighbourhood of Tall Zu'rub in Rafah refugee camp.
- (ii) At 14:30, and again at 20:25, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 6.5 along the Egyptian border towards Palestinian territory in Al Barazil neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp.
- (iii) At 16:30, the Israeli army opened fire from its location in Tall Zu'rub military post towards Palestinian territory to the east.
- (iv) At 16:30, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 19 towards Palestinian territory east of Tall as Sultan neighbourhood.

Raids:

- (i) At 16:30, an Israeli army bulldozer raided Palestinian territory in the area surrounding Salah ad Din gate opposite Point 7 along the Egyptian border.
- (ii) At 16:35, the Israeli army, including infantry forces and 1 bulldozer, raided Palestinian territory opposite Al Barazil neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp opposite Point 6 along the Egyptian border.

GENERAL

	 West Bank: (i) Israeli authorities renewed 8,519 work permits to cross the Green Line.
	who are married with children and over the age of 30.
	• <u>Gaza Strip</u> :
WORK	(i) Israeli authorities renewed 793 work permits for workers to enter the
PERMITS	Industrial Zones. However, only 665 workers (approximately 84% of those possessing work permits) were allowed access to the Industrial Zones.
	(ii) Israeli authorities renewed 4,504 work permits for workers in the construction and agriculture sectors to cross the Green Line. However, only 4,035 workers (approximately 90% of those possessing work permits) were allowed access into the Green Line.