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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 8 April 2004 - 08:00 9 April 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Attacks	9	1	10	
Raids	24	1	25	
Air Patrol	1	_	1	Helicopters over Bir Zeit
Arrests (per person)	5	_	5	Incl. 1 officer
Detention	_	1	1	
Land Levelling	_	1	1	In Al Qarara, Gaza
Wall Construction	15	_	15	Jer., Ramallah, Jenin, & Beth.
Destruction of Property	1	_	1	Door dynamited, Ramallah
House Occupation	1	_	1	Nablus
Curfews	3	_	3	Ramallah, Qadura RC, Hares
Checkpoints	All	_	All	
Flying Checkpoints	(Dozens)	(Dozens)		Closing all districts
Closures (per District)	(All)	(All)	(All)	
Closure of Main Roads	Most	(5)	Most	Esp. connecting governorates
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)		(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	_	5	5	2 Partially open
Demonstrations	1		1	Against Wall, Biddu
TOTAL	60	9	69	

DISTRICT	EVENT	
ALL DISTRICTS	Since 22 March 2003, the Israeli army has imposed a total closure over the West Bank and Gaza Strip following the assassination of Sheikh Ahmad Yassin. The Israeli army prevented civilians from crossing the Green Line and entering Jerusalem, closed all crossing points to workers, and restricted movement between cities in the West Bank.	

WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	 <u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the city, closing all roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in Al Eizariya, Abu Dis, Al Sawahira, Sur Bahir and along the main road between Dahiyat Al Bareed checkpoint and Qalandiya checkpoint and the villages of Qatanna and Biddu.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Wall Construction: Construction of the western portion of the Wall continues in Budrus, Deir Qaddis, Rantis, Beit Liqya, near Beituniya and near the village of Midya. Raids: At 09:10, Israeli army soldiers parachuted from a helicopter onto the campus of Bir Zeit University. At 10:20, the Israeli army raided the cities of Ramallah and El Bireh, raided the Palestinian Ministry of Detainees Affairs, arrested 1 employee and searched the office of Palestinian Legislative Council member Qadura Faris. At 23:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Ramallah and Qadura refugee camp, imposed curfew, forced entry into a building using explosives, searched the building and arrested a Palestinian National Security officer. At 19:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr 'Ein and patrolled the area. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the city of Ramallah:

	 (i) Muhammad Al Faqyat, Ministry of Detainees Affairs employee; and (ii) Husam Abu Al Jadyan, a Palestinian National Security officer. • <u>Demonstration</u>: At 11:10, a mass demonstration including international peace activists took place in the village of Biddu in protest against the continued construction of the Wall on village land. Brief confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.
JENIN	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impede access to health facilities. Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall continues south of Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida and towards the Jordan River. Raids: At 13:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Fuqua and searched 1 house. At 03:00, the Israeli army raided Al Far'a refugee camp, searched several houses and arrested 1 civilian. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested Ayman Nadi in the village of Fuqua. The Israeli army arrested Ayman Elayyan in Al Far'a refugee camp
JERICHO	Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and prevented civilians from crossing.
ВЕТНІЕНЕМ	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing civilians from crossing. Wall Construction: The Israeli army continue construction of the Wall north and east of the district of Bethlehem. Raids: At 13:50, and again at 21:35, the Israeli army raided the city of Beit Jala, opened fire and fired sound bombs. At 01:15, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem and Ayda and Al Duheisha refugee camps, searched 1 house and arrested 1 civilian. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Badran Budeir in the city of Bethlehem.

TULKAREM	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impede access to health facilities. Attack: At 17:40, the Israeli army opened fire indiscriminately towards civilians at the checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of Bala'a. Raids: At 13:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem. At 18:05, the Israeli army set up flying checkpoints, searched vehicles, examined IDs and opened indiscriminate fire in the city. At 19:30, and again at 20:00, the Israeli army opened fire in the same area. At 13:20, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem refugee camp and searched 1 house. At 17:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Shuweika, set up a flying checkpoint, searched vehicles and examined civilian IDs. At 19:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Anabta and patrolled the area. At 13:00, an Israeli army jeep raided Dahiyat Dhinnaba.
NABLUS	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Raid: At 09:45, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, occupied 1 house, converted it into a military post and opened indiscriminate fire towards civilian houses. At 14:00, the Israeli army opened fire towards civilians.
HEBRON	• <u>Closure</u> : The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.
QALQILYA	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impede access to health facilities.

SALFIT	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing dozens of entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Raids: At 08:30, an Israeli army jeep raided the village of Iskaka and patrolled the area. At 22:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Khirbet Qeis, opened fire and fired sound bombs towards civilians. At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Haris and imposed curfew.
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GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	Closure: The Beit Hanoun crossing is partially open.
GAZA CITY	• <u>Closure</u> : (i) The junction of Nitsareem remains closed. (ii) Al Muntar crossing (Karni) remains closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	<u>Attack</u> : At 02:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from the settlement of Kfar Daroom towards the north, west and south of the city of Deir Al Balah.
KHAN YUNIS	 Closure: Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) remains closed. Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is partially open. Abu Holi road was partially opened. At 12:40, the Israeli army closed the road between Abu Holi and Al Matahin checkpoints and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid/Land Levelling: At 12:00, an Israeli APC and bulldozer raided the area of Al Qarara and north of the city of Khan Yunis and levelled land.
RAFAH	• <u>Closure</u> : (i) The Gaza International Airport remains closed. (ii) Sufa crossing is closed (iii) Rafah crossing is partially open.