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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 11 April 2006 – 08:00 12 April 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	1	_	1	1 child of injuries sustained in Jenin
Physical Assaults	4	_	4	Incl. 3 civilians severely beaten
Injuries	2	_	2	Incl. a 70-year-old female civilian
Air Attack	_	1	1	Missiles fired by helicopters, Gaza city
Attacks	6	11	17	Incl. 232 artillery shells fired
Raids	27	1	28	Incl. 5 in Ramallah & 4 in Jenin
Air Patrols	2	1	3	Incl. troops dispatched by helicopters
Arrests	25	_	25	Incl. 2 children & 3 security officers
Detentions	12	1	13	Incl. 5 civilians near the Green Line
Wall Construction	31	_	31	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	2	1	3	Incl. 1 civilian vehicle set on fire, Burin
House Occupation	1	_	1	Converted into a military post, Hebron
Closure of Checkpoints	4	_	4	Incl. Ramot checkpoint in Jerusalem
Flying Checkpoints	5	_	5	Incl. 2 in Qalqiliya & 2 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	6	1	7	Incl. a buffer zone in Northern Gaza
Closure of Main Roads	29	_	29	Incl. entrance to Sinjil village, Ramallah
Closure of Crossing Points	_	5	5	Incl. Beit Hanun and Rafah partially
Medical Obstruction	1	_	1	Taking position in a hospital yard
Attacks on Religious Sites	3	_	3	Incl. 2 mosques raided in Nablus
Settler Violence	2	_	2	Incl. the Qalqiliya-Nablus road closed
Provocation of Pal. Forces	_	3	3	Shelling near Pal. security locations
Palestinian Attacks	_	7	7	8 unidentified mortars fired
Pal. Security Measure	1	_	1	2 civilians arrested & 1 rifle seized
TOTAL	164	32	196	

DISTRICT	EVENT
ALL DISTRICTS	Beginning on 11 March 2006, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure over the West Bank and Gaza Strip districts. The Israeli army has prevented civilians with permits, including workers, from crossing

VIPs and humanitarian cases to cross after prior coordination.

into areas inside the Green Line or into the city of Jerusalem, only allowing

WEST BANK

Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, in the old city of Jerusalem, and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound. Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to Dahiyat Bir Nabala northwest of the city of Jerusalem with cement blocks. **Checkpoints:** Beginning on 04 April 2006, the Israeli army has implemented new (i) procedures at Qalandiya checkpoint, after having declared it a "border crossing point." The Israeli army designated a special crossing for civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army has allowed other civilians to access the main road leading to the junction to the village of Jaba', which branches off to other districts. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close Beit Iksa – Ramot checkpoint, denying access to civilian vehicles. **JERUSALEM** Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, near Al Quds University, in the town of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, and west of the village of Al Jib. Raid: At 06:15, the Israeli army raided the village of 'Anata and arrested 2 civilians, including 1 university student. **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of 'Anata: Rami Khalil Helweh; and (i) (ii) Lu'ay Thyab ash Sheikh. Attack on Religious Site: The Israeli army raided the offices of the Greek Orthodox Patriarchate in the old city of Jerusalem and served a summons stating that Archbishop 'Ataallah Hanna is required to report to the Israeli

Intelligence Service.

Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil with dirt barricades. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the areas of Al Midya to Budrus, Al Midya to Ni'lin, Bil'in to Saffa, in the village of Beit Liqya, in the town of Beituniya, and west of the town of 'Abud and the village of Beit Sira. **Physical Assault:** At 21:20, Israeli troops positioned at the DCO checkpoint set up near the settlement of Beit II severely beat As'ad ar Rammouni, a mentally-challenged civilian, after which he was transported to hospital for medical treatment. **RAMALLAH** Raids/Air Patrol: At 10:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh. (i) **EL BIREH** At 20:00, Israeli troops, dispatched by Israeli army helicopters, raided (ii) and combed the area between the town of Deir Ghassana and the village of Kafr 'Ein. At 00:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the villages of Kafr 'Ein (iii) and An Nabi Salih. (iv) At 02:15, the Israeli army raided the village of 'Arura. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army. Palestinian Security Measure: At 23:30, Palestinian security forces arrested 2 civilians and confiscated a rifle that was in their possession after the civilians had opened fire in the area of *Al Maslakh* (the "slaughterhouse") opposite the settlement of Beit II. Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. **Checkpoint:** The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas and prevented civilians under 30 years of age from crossing. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Flying Checkpoint: At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Jarba, searched civilian vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian. Death: At 23:00, Ameer Maher Shawahneh, 15 years old, died of critical **JENIN** injuries sustained during an Israeli army raid on the town of Silat al Harithiya on 08 April 2006. **Raids/Destruction of Property:** At 24:00, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the town of (i) Qabatiya. An armed confrontation took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals. At 01:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (ii) At 02:00, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the village of Deir Abu Da'if, searched 2 houses, arrested 1 civilian, and withdrew at 03:30. At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Birqin as well as (iii)

exploded and damaged 1 uninhabited house.

	(iv) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Yamun and opened
	indiscriminate fire.
	• Arrests:
	(i) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up near the village
	of Jarba arrested Mohammed Sadeq Subh.
	(ii) The Israeli army arrested Hamdoun Ahmed Taher 'Awwad in the
	village of Deir Abu Da'if.
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TULKAREM	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to impose a complete closure on the district of Tulkarem and to declare it a closed military zone following a suicide attack carried out on the junction to the village of Far'un. The Israeli army continues to impede civilian access to and from the district. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the roads connecting the following locales: the town of Bal'a and Dahiyat Iktaba; Dahiyat Dhinnaba in the city of Tulkarem and the town of Kafr al Labad; Dahiyat Dhinnaba and the village of 'Izbat Abu Khamish; the town of Kafr al Labad and the village of Shufa; the towns of Deir al Ghusun and 'Attil; and the towns of Deir al Ghusun and Bal'a. The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the town of Beit Lid to the village of Kur with cement blocks. Checkpoints: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the eastern entrance to the city of Tulkarem ('Einav checkpoint) on the road connecting the districts of Tulkarem and Nablus and denied civilian access, only allowing civilians holding Tulkarem-issued IDs to cross. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem (Jubara checkpoint) and to impede civilian access. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Raids/Detention: At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and arrested 2 civilians. At 03:15, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Anabta and detained 3 civilians (brothers).
	(iii) At 03:20, the Israeli army raided Nur Shams refugee camp and
	searched a number of houses.
	• Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the city of Tulkarem:
	(i) Zeid Salameh ash Shahed; and
	(ii) Ahmed Ghazi Qattawi.
	• Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the road
	connecting the villages of Jit and Immatin with dirt barricades.
QALQILIYA	• Wall Gates:
	(i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special
	Israeli permits.

- (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.
- Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the village of Immatin and east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun.
- <u>Flying Checkpoint</u>: At 10:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raid: At 10:55, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Azzun, set up a checkpoint at its entrance, prevented civilians from entering or exiting the town, and patrolled the area.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: Israeli settlers from the settlement of Kedumim placed stones on the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road, closing the road in both directions.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the main road leading to the district of Jenin between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron. Instead, the Israeli army has forced civilians to travel along an unpaved 1.5-km-long road, which branches off from the Nablus-Tulkarem road and intersects with the Nablus-Jenin road opposite the village of Sabastiya.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades Al Badhan road, which is the north-eastern entrance to the city of Nablus and connects the city to the district of Jenin.

• Checkpoints:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing Huwwara, Beit Iba, At Tur Mountain, and Beit Furik checkpoints around the city of Nablus. The Israeli army closes the checkpoints overnight and reopens them at various morning hours.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Huwwara checkpoint and to deny access to civilians between 15 and 30 years of age.
- <u>Physical Assaults</u>: Israeli troops positioned at Beit Iba checkpoint severely beat 3 civilians. At 17:40, the 3 civilians were admitted to Nablus Public Hospital for medical treatment.

• Raids/Attacks on Religious Sites/Detention:

- (i) Beginning at 04:00 on 11 April 2006, the Israeli army remained positioned in the city of Nablus, raided 2 mosques in the city, detained worshippers while they were performing dawn prayers, and forced them to strip and exit the mosques while they were naked. The Israeli army also searched a number of houses and arrested 7 civilians, including 6 university students. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 1 child. At 11:50, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- (ii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and Balata refugee camp, searched a number of houses, and arrested 5 individuals in Balata refugee camp, including 2 children and 1 Palestinian National Security officer. At 06:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.

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- (iii) At 05:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Furik and arrested 1 Palestinian National Security officer.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 7 civilians in the city of Nablus:
- (i) 'Uday Kamel Theineh;
- (ii) Tareq Abdul Hafeeth;
- (iii) Firas Abdul Majeed 'Isa;
- (iv) Nadeem Karim Bushnaq;
- (v) Ummi Khaled Abu Khadeejeh;
- (vi) 'Imad Mahmoud 'Alyeh; and
- (vii) Ala' as Sukarji.

The Israeli army arrested 5 individuals in Balata refugee camp:

- (viii) Hasan Hisham Hannoun, 15 years old;
- (ix) Murad Abdallah as Sawalhi, 16 years old;
- (x) Ahmed Jaber Abu Sreis, a Palestinian National Security officer;
- (xi) Khalil ar Riyahi; and
- (xii) Mohammed Mirshed at Teerawi.
- (xiii) The Israeli army arrested Abdallah 'Aadel Hanani, a Palestinian National Security officer, in the town of Beit Furik.
- <u>Settler Violence/Destruction of Property</u>: At 04:30, Israeli settlers raided the village of Burin and burnt 1 vehicle belonging to 'Imad Mousa Abdul 'Azeez.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades. The road has been closed since the beginning of the current *Intifada* (Uprising).
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrances to the town of Bruqin and the village of Marda and the road connecting the town of Deir Istiya to the village of Haris.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik with cement blocks.

• Checkpoints:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close Deir Ballut checkpoint overnight and open it at various morning hours. The Israeli army also prevents civilians from crossing eastwards towards the town of Kafr ad Dik.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to impede civilian access.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues near the Green Line in the town of Deir Ballut and the villages of Az Zawiya and Rafat, northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari'el.

• Raids/Air Patrol:

- (i) At 20:00, Israeli troops, dispatched by Israeli army combat helicopters, raided and combed Al Irsal hill north of the city of Salfit.
- (ii) At 01:15, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Kafr ad Dik.

SALFIT

JERICHO	 Closure: Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja continues to be closed with cement blocks. The Israeli army also prevents farmers not holding Jericho-issued IDs from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. In addition, the Israeli army prevents Israeli citizens from entering the city of Jericho. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up on the road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus and to impede civilian access.
BETHLEHEM	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close the roads to the village of An Nu'man, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village. The Israeli army considers the civilians' residence in the village illegal because they hold West Bank identity cards while their village is located within the Israeli-defined municipal boundaries of Jerusalem. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close all roads to Road # 60 leading to the city of Jerusalem, thereby isolating the city of Bethlehem from its towns and villages located west of Road # 60. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues north of 'Ayda refugee camp and in the Everest area, northwest of the city of Beit Jala. Raids: At 13:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Za'tara, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian. At 18:00, Israeli Special Forces, accompanied by 14 jeeps, raided the city of Bethlehem and opened fire, injuring Rahmeh Qurra'ah, a 70-year-old female civilian. The Israeli army also searched 1 house and arrested 1 Palestinian National Security officer. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested Sami Ibrahim Abu Rmeis in the town of Za'tara. The Israeli army arrested 'Attaf Mohammed Abu 'Ahour, a Palestinian National Security officer, in the city of Bethlehem.
HEBRON	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and barbed wire Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh and with an iron gate the old gold market, all in the H2 section of the city of Hebron, denying access to civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army continues to implement a military order to close civilian commercial shops on both sides of the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron from 06 November 2005 until 07 May 2006. Civilian vehicles are prohibited from travelling along the road unless they possess access permits. Only Israeli settler vehicles are allowed unrestricted access on the road. The Israeli army continues to close with a dirt barricade the area of Khuzq al Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino in the old city of Hebron, in addition to the iron gate that has been set up in the area.

(iv) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the area of Al Khan in the old city of Hebron with an electronic gate, isolating the area from Al Laban Market and the area of As Sahleh.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul, the area of Al Fahs south of the city of Hebron, the junction to the area of Farsh al Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron, and the entrance to the village of 'Arab ar Ramadin.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron with cement blocks.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the towns of Surif and Beit Ula, south of the towns of Adh Dhahiriya and As Samoa', and southeast of the town of Yatta. The Israeli army has also completed construction of most sections of the Wall in the town of Idhna, from the village of Deir Samit to the town of Beit 'Awwa, from Beit 'Awwa to the village of Al Burj, and in the village of Ar Ramadin.
- **Flying Checkpoint:** At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access.

• Raids/Medical Obstruction:

- (i) On the dawn of 11 April 2006, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura and arrested 2 civilians.
- (ii) At 11:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Adh Dhahiriya.
- (iii) At 11:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Yatta, set up a checkpoint, searched civilian vehicles, and arrested 2 civilians.
- (iv) At 21:15, the Israeli army raided the town of Sa'ir. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.
- (v) At 21:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, took position in the yard of *Al Ahli* Hospital, and patrolled the area until 23:30.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Dura:
- (i) Abdul Rahman Abdul Rahman ash Sharhah; and
- (ii) Akram Abdul Rahman ash Sharhah.

The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Yatta:

- (iii) Abdul Karim Nayef Zein; and
- (iv) Mohammed Nayef Zein.
- <u>House Occupation</u>: At 19:00, the Israeli army occupied 1 house belonging to Mustafa ar Rajabi in the neighbourhood of Johar Mount in the old city of Hebron, converted it into a military post, and withdrew at 20:15.

GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS

• Beginning on 16 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure on the Gaza Strip ostensibly due to Palestinian individuals' firing of mortars towards the Green Line.

NORTHERN GAZA	 Closure: Beginning at 18:00 on 28 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a buffer zone (through open fire as well as artillery and air attacks) in the area near the Green Line, including the area of the debris of evacuated settlements. Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases after prior coordination. Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: Between 09:00 and 12:00, the Israeli army fired 91 artillery shells from its location inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory near 6 Palestinian National Security locations north and northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya. At 12:40, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 23 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory north of the town of Beit Hanun. Between 12:00 and 20:00, the Israeli army fired 140 artillery shells from its location inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory near 3 Palestinian National Security locations north and northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya, near the area of Al Hawuz, and towards the dirt barricades erected around the sewage basins north of the town of Beit Lahiya. Raid: At 02:00, Israeli Special Forces raided the area of Ash Shayma' north of the town of Beit Lahiya and searched 1 house. Detention: At 01:30, the Israeli army detained 5 civilians, including 3 children, while they were attempting to gain access into areas inside the Green Line east of the town of Beit Hanun and released them at a later time. Palestinian Attacks: At 09:50, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. At 10:40, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. At 12:10, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. At 12:10, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
	 (v) At 22:10, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. Air Attack/Destruction of Property: At 02:00, Israeli army combat
GAZA	helicopters fired missiles towards and damaged 1 office belonging to the Palestinian National Liberation Movement (Fateh) in Gaza city. • Attacks: (i) At 10:25, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 88 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of Gaza city. At 15:30, the Israeli army opened fire again towards 1 tractor. At 00:05, the Israeli army opened fire for the third time as well as fired flares. (ii) At 19:40, the Israeli army fired 1 artillery shell from its location inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory near 1 house in Ash Shuja'iya neighbourhood in Gaza city.
CENTRAL GAZA	• <u>Attack</u> : At 10:35, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 120 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of Al Bureij refugee camp.

	• <u>Palestinian Attack</u> : At 21:45, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.	
KHAN YUNIS	• Palestinian Attack: At 17:30, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.	
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah Crossing is partially open in both directions to passengers holding Palestinian IDs, humanitarian cases, and Arab and foreign diplomatic missions. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karem Shalom Crossing is closed. 	

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	• <u>Administrative Detention</u> : The Israeli authorities renewed the administrative detention (arrest without charge or trial) against 5 political prisoners held in Ketziot ("An Naqab") Military Detention Camp for an additional period of 6 months.
WORK PERMITS	 West Bank: Valid work permits that have been issued by the Israeli Authorities for crossing the Green Line total 5,416. However, none of those possessing work permits were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line due to the imposed closure. Gaza Strip: Valid work permits that have been issued by the Israeli Authorities for crossing the Green Line total 4,837. However, none of those possessing work permits were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line due to the imposed closure.