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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 13 April 2006 – 08:00 14 April 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injury	1	_	1	1 child in the town of Qabatiya, Jenin
Attacks	3	3	6	3 in raids & 3 from military posts
Raids	20	3	23	Incl. 5 in Tulkarem & 4 in Bethlehem
Air Patrols	_	2	2	Incl. F16 aircrafts over Northern Gaza
Arrests	6	_	6	Incl. 1 child & 1 Pal. security officer
Detentions	10	_	10	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Land Levelling	_	2	2	Incl. east of Al Qarara in Khan Yunis
Wall Construction	31	_	31	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	1	_	1	Al Badhan road levelled, Nablus
Confiscation of Property	1	_	1	1 motorcycle in Dahiyat Shuweika
House Occupations	2	_	2	In Kharsa & Tall Rumeida, Hebron
Closure of Checkpoints	3	_	3	Incl. Ramot checkpoint in Jerusalem
Flying Checkpoints	7	_	7	Incl. 1 in Tulkarem & 4 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	6	1	7	Incl. a buffer zone in Northern Gaza
Closure of Main Roads	30	_	30	Incl. entrance to Sinjil village, Ramallah
Closure of Crossing Points	_	4	4	Incl. Beit Hanun and Rafah partially
Settler Violence	1	_	1	Foreign journalists assaulted in Hebron
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	_	1	1 Pal. security patrol photographed
Palestinian Attacks	_	6	6	8 unidentified mortars fired
TOTAL	123	21	144	

DISTRICT	EVENT
ALL DISTRICTS	• Due to the Jewish Passover ("Pesach") holidays, the Israeli army intensified the closure imposed over the West Bank and Gaza Strip districts since 11 March 2006. The Israeli army has prevented civilians with permits, including workers, from crossing into areas inside the Green Line or into the city of Jerusalem, only allowing VIPs and humanitarian cases to cross after prior coordination.

WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	 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 Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to Dahiyat Bir Nabala as well as the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat Al Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with 2 checkpoints and barbed wires. The Israeli army denies civilian access, only allowing civilians residing behind the Wall and those holding Jerusalem-issued IDs to cross on foot. Checkpoints: Beginning on 04 April 2006, the Israeli army has implemented new measures 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. The Israeli army continues to close Beit Iksa (Ramot) checkpoint, denying access to civilian vehicles. 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.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 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.

Raids: At 00:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Kafr 'Ein, fired (i) flares, searched 1 house, and withdrew at 01:50. At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of 'Arura (ii) until 02:00. (iii) At 02:30, Israeli army infantry forces raided and patrolled the village of Mazari' an Nubani until 03:30. <u>Closure of Road</u>: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the unpaved detour 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 19:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at **JENIN** the entrance to the village of Sir and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: (i) At 23:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Qabatiya and opened indiscriminate fire, injuring 15-year-old Ra'fat Fawzi Abu ar Rub. (ii) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp until 05:00. Arrest: At 08:30, Israeli troops positioned at Tayasir checkpoint arrested 15-year-old Hamadeh Saleh Sawaftah. 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: Dahiyat Iktaba in the city of Tulkarem and the town of Bal'a; 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 **TULKAREM** and Bal'a. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the road connecting the town of Beit Lid to the village of Kur. **Checkpoints:** (i) 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. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem (Jubara checkpoint) and to impede civilian access.

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	Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted and in large linear states.
	special Israeli permits.
	• Raids/Confiscation of Property:
	(i) At 12:30, and again at 17:00, an Israeli army patrol raided Dahiyat
	Iktaba in the city of Tulkarem and patrolled the area.
	(ii) At 16:20, an Israeli army patrol raided Dahiyat Shuweika and
	confiscated 1 motorcycle.
	 (iii) At 22:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Ar Ras, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. (iv) At 03:40, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided Nur Shams refugee camp and fired sound grenades while it was surrounding and searching
	1 house. The Israeli army also arrested 2 individuals, including 1 Palestinian National Security officer. At 04:20, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
	Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 individuals in Nur Shams refugee camp:
	(i) Basem Abdul Raheem Shaweesh, a Palestinian National Security
	officer; and
	(ii) Ala' Yousef Shabrawi.
	(ii) The Touser Sheetevin
	 <u>Closure of Main Road</u>: The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the villages of Jit and Immatin with dirt barricades. <u>Wall Gates</u>:
	(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
QALQILIYA	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. Raid: At 20:55, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Al Funduq and arrested 1 civilian.
	Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Sabri Rafe' Qatesh in the village of Al
	Funduq.
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	 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-
NABLUS	Jenin road opposite the village of Sabastiya.
1112200	(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
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	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>Flying Checkpoint/Destruction of Property</u> : At 12:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Badhan road, denying civilian access in both directions. The Israeli army also closed the road with dirt barricades, after destroying the asphalt.
	• Raid: At 01:55, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, arrested 1 civilian, and withdrew at 04:00.
	• Arrests:
	(i) At 12:00, Israeli troops positioned at Beit Iba checkpoint arrested Hasan Suleiman al Masri.
	(ii) The Israeli army arrested Ibrahim at Tammouni in the city of Nablus.
	Closure of Main Roads:
	(i) The Israeli army has continued to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising).
SALFIT	(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrances to the town of Bruqin and the village of Marda as well as the road connecting the town of Deir Istiya to the village of Haris. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik.
	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 7s'tere.
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to impede civilian access.
	 Wall Construction: 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.
	• <u>Closure</u> : The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja 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.
JERICHO	 Checkpoints: (i) 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.
	(ii) At 10:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the DCO checkpoint set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho and prevented 1 vehicle belonging to the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) from entering the city of Jericho.

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** 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: (i) At 08:10, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the cities of Bethlehem and Beit Sahur as well as 'Ayda refugee camp. At 10:20, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the (ii) city of Bethlehem. **Closure:** The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and barbed wire (i) 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 (ii) 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 (iii) 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. **HEBRON** The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the area of Al Khan (iv) 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:** The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the area of Al (i) 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 Checkpoints:

- (i) At 08:45, and again at 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the Sussia junction and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Adh Dhahiriya and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids/House Occupation/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:

- (i) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Kharsa, occupied 1 house belonging to Mousa Thyab Masharqah, and converted it into a military post. The Israeli army also searched 2 other houses.
- (ii) At 03:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Surif and searched a number of houses.
- (iii) At 07:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and took photographs of Palestinian officers in a Palestinian National Security patrol, while it was guarding the offices of the International Temporary Presence in Hebron (TIPH).
- <u>House Occupation</u>: At 11:00, the Israeli army occupied 1 house belonging to Abdul Karim al Haddad in the neighbourhood of Tall Rumeida in the old city of Hebron and converted it into a military post.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 11:00, a group of Israeli settlers assaulted a number of foreign journalists in the neighbourhood of Tall Rumeida in the old city of Hebron and expelled them from the area.

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

- <u>Closure</u>: 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.
- <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases after prior coordination.
- <u>Air Patrol</u>: At 00:15, Israeli army F16 combat aircrafts patrolled the skies over the district of Northern Gaza.

• Palestinian Attacks:

- (i) At 21:00, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
- (ii) At 00:15, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.

GAZA	 Attack: At 12:50, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 88 on the Green Line towards a number of shepherds east of Gaza city. Palestinian Attack: At 10:35, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line, but exploded in the area where it was launched.
CENTRAL GAZA	• Raid/Land Levelling: At 12:00, the Israeli army, including 2 tanks and 2 bulldozers, raided 50 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 117 on the Green Line east of Al Bureij refugee camp and levelled land.
KHAN YUNIS	 At 20:50, the Israeli army fired 1 artillery shell from Point 188 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the area of Khuza'a. (ii) At 06:30, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 176 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the village of Abasan al Kabira. Raids/Land Levelling: At 12:35, the Israeli army, including 2 tanks and 2 bulldozers, raided 400 metres into Palestinian territory in the area between Points 148 and 152 east of the area of Al Qarara, levelled land, and withdrew at 17:55. At 08:00, the Israeli army, including 3 tanks and 3 bulldozers, raided 50 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 152 east of the area of Al Qarara. Air Patrol: At 14:35, Israeli army combat helicopters patrolled the skies over Palestinian territory east of the area of Al Qarara. Palestinian Attacks: At 13:40, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. At 14:20, 3 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. Palestinian Attack: At 06:30, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.

GENERAL

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.
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