مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 15 April 2004 – 08:00 16 April 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	_	1	1	During raid on Al Sha'ut
Physical Assault	1	_	1	Civilians beaten at checkpoint
Injuries	46	5	51	Incl. child, journalist & officer
Attacks	8	4	12	
Raids	23	2	25	
Air Patrol	1	_	1	Reconnaissance aircraft
Arrests (per person)	22	_	22	Incl. 1 female & 4 officers
Detention	1	_	1	100s of civilians at checkpoint
House Demolitions	_	17	17	Al Sha'ut & Al Brahma, Gaza
Land Levelling	_	1	1	Al Sha'ut
Wall Construction	14	_	14	Jer., Ramallah, Beth. & Jenin
Land Confiscation	1	_	1	For military post, Qalandiya
Destruction of Property	1	3	4	Incl. infrastructure, Al Sha'ut
Curfews	2	_	2	Tulkarem RC & Beit Ijza
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		4	4	3 Partially open
School Disruption	1	_	1	Beit Ijza Girl's school closed
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	_	1	3 Police officers arrested
Demonstration	3	_	3	
TOTAL	125	37	162	

DISTRICT	EVENT	
ALL DISTRICTS	Since 22 March 2004, the Israeli army has imposed a total closure over the West Bank and Gaza Strip. 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	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the city, closing all roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Al Eizariya, Abu Dis, Al Sawahira al Sharqiya, Sur Bahir, Qatanna, Biddu and along the main road between Dahiyat Al Bareed checkpoint and Qalandiya checkpoint. Raid: The Israeli army raided the village of Beit Ijza, imposed curfew and raided Beit Ijza Girl's School, forcing the closure of the school for the day. Demonstration: Residents of the village of Beit Ijza demonstrated against the construction of the Wall construction on village land. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army opened and fired tear gas towards civilians, injuring 25 civilians.
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 11:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Abu Sheikdom, searched 1 house and opened fire towards civilians, injuring 14-year-old Rami Fowzi. At 00:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Ramallah and set up a checkpoint in the area of Um ash Sharayit, detained 1 Palestinian Police vehicle, arrested 3 Police officers and confiscated their wireless communication devices. The Israeli army raided the city of El Bireh, searched several houses

and arrested 1 civilian.

Arrests:

The Israeli army arrested 3 Palestinian Police officers in the city of Ramallah:

- (i) Firas Al Sheikh;
- (ii) Taher Said: and
- (iii) Iba' Al Barghouti.

The Israeli army arrested 1 civilians in the city of El Bireh:

(iv) Walid Abu Kuweik.

The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian while he was complying with a summons to report to Ofer Military Prison Camp:

- (v) Iyad Sa'ad, a resident of the village of Al Mazra'a ash Sharqiya.
- <u>Land Confiscation</u>: At 17:25, the Israeli army confiscated land and erected a military watchtower on a hill overlooking Um ash Sharayit neighbourhood near Qalandiya airport.

• Demonstrations:

- (i) At 11:00, a demonstration took place in Ramallah in solidarity political prisoner Marwan Barghouti on the occasion of Palestinian Prisoners Day.
- (ii) At 12:30, a mass demonstration took place in the village of Biddu in protest against the continued construction of the Wall. Confrontations between the Israeli army and civilians took place, during which the Israeli army injured 16 civilians, including 1 journalist.

- <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.
- <u>Wall Gates</u>: 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.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: 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:

- (i) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Sanur and arrested 4 civilians.
- (ii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Silat al Harithiya and arrested 1 civilian.

• Arrests:

The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the village of Sanur:

- (i) Shehadeh Habayba;
- (ii) Ziyad Ghariba;
- (iii) Karim Jarrar; and
- (iv) Mu'tasim Habayba.

JENIN

JERICHO	The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian in the town of Silat Al Harithiya: (v) Ahmad Shawahna. The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian at a checkpoint at the junction of the town of Jaba': (vi) M'amoun Abu Rayyan. • Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints throughout the city, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and prevented civilians from crossing.
BETHLEHEM	 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: Construction of the Wall continues north of the district of Bethlehem, west of Wadi Hilwa, near the Armenian monastery, on the Jerusalem-Bethlehem road and along the tunnel road (Gilo). Physical Assault: At 09:30, the Israeli army physically assaulted civilians and broke the windows of taxis at Al Sawahira ash Sharqiya checkpoint. Attack/Detention: The Israeli army opened fire towards civilians and detained hundreds civilians for several hours at Al Sawahira ash Sharqiya checkpoint. Raids: At 14:25, the Israeli army raided the town of Tuqu' and arrested 3 civilians. At 05:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem, Al Duheisha refugee camp and the village of Artas and arrested 2 civilians in Artas. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the town of Tuqu': Murad Al Badan; Jamal Hamid; and Ahmad Hammad.
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. Raids: At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Iktaba and arrested 1 civilian. At 14:00, and again at 19:50, the Israeli army raided the city of

	Tulkarem, set up a flying checkpoint, searched vehicles and examined
	civilian IDs. (iii) At 16:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Anabta, raided 1 health club in the town and examined the IDs of patrons of the health club.
	(iv) At 18:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Zeita and patrolled the area.
	(v) At 20:10, the Israeli army raided the town of Far'un and searched 1 house.
	(vi) At 22:40, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem refugee camp, opened intensive fire and imposed curfew. The Israeli army remains present in the area as of 08:00 this morning.
	• Air Patrol: At 23:50, Israeli reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies
	 over the district of Tulkarem. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Nael Abed Rabbo from the town of
	Iktaba.
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NABLUS	 (i) At 17:00, the Israeli army, including 2 tanks and 7 jeeps, raided the city of Nablus, opened intensive fire indiscriminately, injuring 4 civilians, and arrested 1 civilian. (ii) The Israeli army raided the village of Beit Dajan and arrested 1 civilian.
	 Arrests: (i) The Israeli army arrested Ghassan Mara'i in the city of Nablus. (ii) The Israeli army arrested Wael Hanani in the village of Beit Dajan.
HEBRON	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.
	 <u>Raid</u>: The Israeli army raided Al Arrub refugee camp and arrested 1 civilian. <u>Arrest</u>: The Israeli army arrested Diya Al Teiti in Al Arrub refugee camp.
	Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages
QALQILYA	 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.

	• Raid: At 10:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya and opened indiscriminate fire.
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 10:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr ad Dik. Confrontations between civilians and Israeli army took place. At 21:10, an Israeli army jeep raided the village of Bruqin and patrolled the area. Arrests: At 19:30, the Israeli army arrested Faten Dharaghma, female, on the Samara road near the village of Marda, claiming that she was carrying explosives. At 17:25, the Israeli army arrested Lt. Muhammad Marzuq, a Palestinian Police officer, at a checkpoint set up at the entrance of the village of Al Sawiya.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	 <u>Closure</u>: The Beit Hanoun crossing is partially open to merchants. <u>Attack</u>: At 21:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from the settlement of Nisanit towards civilian houses in Al Nada towers and Izbat Beit Hanoun. 	
GAZA CITY	Closure: The junction of Nitsareem remains closed.	
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not yet reported.	
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) was open to pedestrians. Abu Holi road was partially open. Attacks: At 13:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Point 12 towards civilian houses in Al Nimsawi neighbourhood, injuring 1 civilian. 	

	(ii) At 20:55, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Point 11 towards civilian houses in Al Nimsawi neighbourhood, injuring 1 Palestinian National Security officer.
RAFAH	 Closure: The Gaza International Airport remains closed. Rafah crossing is closed to civilians between the ages of 16 to 35. Sufa crossing is partially open. Raid: At 21:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area of Al Sha'ut and Al Brahma after raiding the area since 14 April 2004. During the raid, the Israeli army killed 1 civilian, injured 23 civilians, demolished 20 houses, levelled large areas of land and destroyed infrastructure in the area, including water, electricity and communications networks. Killing: The Israeli army killed Ali Mahmoud Barhum in the area of Al Sha'ut and Al Brahma. House Demolition: The Israeli army demolished 17 houses in the area of Al Sha'ut and Al Brahma, claiming to be searching for tunnels.

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