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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00, 20 April 2008 – 08:00, 21 April 2008

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths		2	2	Incl. 1 civilian in Northern Gaza
Injuries	2	7	9	Incl. 4 civilians in Rafah
Arrests	1	27	28	Incl. 27 civilians in Northern Gaza
Detentions	21	1	22	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Raids	28	2	30	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem & 2 in Ramallah
Checkpoints	16		16	Incl. stricter measures at 10 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	26		26	Incl. 5 in Jerusalem & 3 in Ramallah
Attacks	4	7	11	Incl. 4 in raids & 4 confrontations
Air Attacks		3	3	Drone fires 3 missiles on Rafah
Air Patrols		7	7	Incl. 2 combat helicopters & drones
School Disruption	1		1	Israeli troops search 1 school in Salfit
House Occupation	4	3	7	Incl. 1 civilian house in Nablus
Demolition of Property	1	2	3	Incl. blowing up 1 vehicle in Hebron
Land Leveling		1	1	Agricultural land in Northern Gaza
Wall Construction	25		25	Continues in West Bank districts
Closures	7		7	Partial in Jerusalem
Closure of Main Roads	58		58	Incl. 10 in Tulkarem & 6 in Nablus
Closure of Crossing Points		6	6	Partial opening of 1 crossing points
Settler Violence	2		2	Settlers close road in Ramallah district
Demonstrations	1		1	In Jericho in solidarity with prisoners
Pal. Security Measures	3		3	3 settlers handed to the Israeli side
Palestinian Attacks		6	6	Incl. 8 mortars fired at the Green Line
TOTAL	200	74	274	

DISTRICT EVENTS	
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WEST BANK

The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints set up on the main roads connecting the West Bank districts, thereby isolating the northern districts from the southern districts as well as the Jericho district and the Jordan Valley from the remainder of the West ALL Bank. **DISTRICTS** Since 24:00 on April 17, the Israeli army has been imposing entire closure on the West Bank and denying laborers and civilian access to the city of Jerusalem, except for humanitarian cases. The closure will go on until April 27 midnight. Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also continued to close the entrances to al-Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and impede civilian access to the mosque. **Closure of Main Roads:** The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to (i) Dahiyat al-Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with a barbed wire gate and to deny civilian access. The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al-(ii) Bareed to the town of al-Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area. The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt (iii) barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho. **Checkpoints:** (i) The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandya checkpoint **JERUSALEM** a "border crossing point" and has designated a special crossing for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem. At 13:10, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at the checkpoint (ii) that is set up near the village of Jaba' and impeded traffic. **Flying Checkpoints:** At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint near Ma'ale Adummin (i) settlement. At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the junction of the (ii) town of Anata, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 15:40, the Israeli army set up checkpoint on the junction of the town (iii) of Beit Hanina, and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 12:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the towns of al-Ram and Dahiyet al-Bareed.

Wall Gates:

(i)

The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu

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	Dis with cement blocks. (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on al-Shayyah road in the area between the villages of al-Sawahira al-Sharqiya and al-Sawahira al-Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al-Bareed, Dahiyat al-Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of al-'Eizariya to al-Shayyah, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of al-Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of the village of al-Jib, and in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna. • Closure of Main Roads:
RAMALLAH	 (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Safa. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the village of Ras Karkar. (iv) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the villages of Ras Karkar and Kharbatha Bani Hareth, the western entrance to the village of Ain Yabroud, and the junction of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiah with dirt barricades and cement blocks. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and impede civilian access. • Flying Checkpoints: At 15:50, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the junction of the town of Siwad, and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: At 15:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Deir Jarir and set up a checkpoint in the village center. At 20:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of al-Bireh and set up a checkpoint in the city center. • Settler Violence: At 14:100, a bunch of settlers closed the road that connects the village of Dura al-Qare' and Ein Yabroud. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area west of the town of 'Abud as well as in the areas of al-Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.
JENIN	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. Flying Checkpoints: At 11:15, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the junction of the village of Rumanna, and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the town of al-Yamon, searched 1 civilian house, and withdrew at 04:00. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which affects the educational and health conditions

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	of civilians living behind the Wall.
	• <u>Checkpoints</u> : The Israeli army continues to close Tayasir checkpoint east
	of the town of Tubas, denying civilian access to the Northern Jordan
	Valley, except for civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence
TOUBAS	is the Northern Jordan Valley.
	• Flying Checkpoints : At 18:20, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint between
	the villages of al-Far'a and Siris, and searched civilians and vehicles.
	• Raids: At 18:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Tamon.
	• Closure: The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem
	a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district.
	• <u>Closure of Main Roads</u> :
	(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the Dahiyat
	Iktaba-Bal'a road; the entrance to the village of Saffarin; the road
	connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to 'Attil's plain; the road to the
	town of Deir al-Ghusun's plain; and the entrance to the village of 'Izbat
	Abu Khamis.
	(ii) At 20:00, the Israeli army closed the road connecting the villages of
	Ramin and Bazaria with dirt barricades.
	(iii) At 17:00, the Israeli army closed the northern entrance to the town of
	'Azzun with barbed wires.
	• <u>Checkpoints</u> : The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav
TULKAREM	checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarem-Nablus road and at Jubaa checkpoint.
	• Flying Checkpoints:
	(i) At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the junction of the
	town of Beit Lid and impeded traffic.
	(ii) At 11:30, the Israeli army set up q checkpoint on the junction of the
	towns of Zeita and 'Atil, and impeded traffic.
	(iii) At 20:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the junction of the
	village of Far'on, and searched civilians and vehicles.
	• Raids:
	(i) At 11:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Atil.
	(ii) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem. The raid
	recurred at 18:40.
	• Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted
	special Israeli permits.
	• Closure of Roads:
	(i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural
	roads east of the town of 'Azzun
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road
	connecting the town of 'Azzun to the village of 'Asla.
QALQILYA	(iii) At 11:30, the Israeli army closed with dirt barriers the road connecting
	Azzun town to Izbat Tabib village.
	• <u>Checkpoints</u> : The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the
	checkpoint that is set up at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqilya and
	impede civilian access. At 14:10, the Israeli army closed the checkpoint
	because 2 veiled female civilians refused to take of the veil. The checkpoint

was reopened at a later time.

• <u>Flying Checkpoints</u>: At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the entrance to the town of 'Azzun, and searched civilians and vehicles.

Raids:

- (i) At 10:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqilya and patrolled it until 12:00.
- (ii) At 21:00, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Azzun, clashed with civilians during patrol, and injured 2 civilians, including 1 child. The Israeli army withdrew at 21:40.
- (iii) At 00:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Kfar Darum.

• 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.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Land leveling for Wall construction continues in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun.

Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus road between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al-Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh as well as the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of al Lubban al-Sharqiya with dirt barricades and cement blocks.
- <u>Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:
- (i) At Tur neighborhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim Mount) is closed on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On all other days, it is open for civilian residents of the neighborhood only.
- (ii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the nearby village of Beit Dajan.
- (iii) Beginning on 23 November 2006, the Israeli army continues to close the checkpoint set up in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira al-Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only allowing access to humanitarian cases.
- **Flying Checkpoints**: At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on al-Badhan road (eastern entrance to the city of Bethlehem).

Raids:

(i) At 18:10, the Israeli army raided the town of Aseera al-Shimaliyyeh and clashed with civilians during patrol. The raid recurred at 00:45.

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	(ii) At 21:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Burqa and clashed with civilians during search of a number of civilian
	houses.
	(iii) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Rujib.
	(iv) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and
	occupied 1 civilian house and converted it into a military
	post.
	Closure of Main Roads:
	(i) The Israeli army continues to close the main north-western entrance to
	the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current
	Intifada (Uprising).
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western
	entrance to the village of Marda and Hares. In addition, the Israeli army
	continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Yassouf and the
	southern entrance to the village of Deir Istiyya with dirt barricades, as
	well as the southern entrance to the town of Kafl hares and the 2
	northern entrances to the town of Bruqin and the village of Qarawa Bani Hassan.
	• Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir
	Ballut and Za'tara checkpoints and prevent civilian vehicles from traveling
	towards the town of Kafr al-Dik. At 17:00, the Israeli army closed Za'tara
	checkpoint and impeded traffic upon the arrest of a civilian under the
	pretext of finding a suspicious object with him. The checkpoint was
SALFIT	reopened at 17:40.
	• Flying Checkpoints:
	(i) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the entrance to the
	town of Iskaka, and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(ii) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the junction of the
	town of Kafl Hares and detained 1 civilian and released him at 15:00.
	(iii) At 17:10, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the entrance to the
	village of Marda, and searched civilians and vehicles.
	• Raids:
	(i) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of
	Bruqin. (ii) At 16:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Marda, starmed
	(ii) At 16:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Marda, stormed and searched a secondary school and 1 civilian house. The
	Israeli army withdrew at 21:15.
	• Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the
	city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kafr Hares north
	of the settlement of Ariel.
	Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of
	Jericho and the village of al-'Auja with cement blocks and to prevent
JERICHO	farmers not holding Jericho Governorate IDs from reaching their land,
	forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also continues to
	deny access to the city to holders of Israeli IDs.

• Checkpoints:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at al-Hamra checkpoint set up along al-Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus as well as on the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of al-'Auja along al-Mu'arrajat road that connects the districts of Jericho and Ramallah.
- (ii) At 12:45, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at the D.C.O. checkpoint that is set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho and impeded traffic.
- <u>Flying Checkpoints</u>: At 19:10, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the junction of the village of al-'Auja (on the road that connects Jericho with Ramallah districts), and searched civilians and vehicles.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 12:55, a settler called Omri physically attacked a Palestinian civilian from Qalqilya under the pretext of coming near his farm near the entrance to the village of Ein ak-Dyuk.
- <u>Demonstrations</u>: On April 20, a public strike took organized by the Prisoner's Club and the Ministry of Prisoners' Affairs took place in the city of Jericho in solidarity with Palestinian prisoners in Israeli jails.
- <u>Palestinian Security Measures</u>: On April 20, the Palestinian security forces handed over to the Israeli side through the D.C.O. 3 settlers (husband, wife and son) who were caught trying to go into Jericho through the northern entrance to the city.

• Closure:

- (i) 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.
- (ii) Since September 15, 2007, the Israeli army has been preventing civilian access, according to military order 07.02.S, to the 22-dunum land that has been confiscated in accordance with confiscation order number 07.31.T. The 22-dunum area has been set to construct a passage in the area of Mazmouriyyeh that is located in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem.
- 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.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the entrance to the town of Za'tarah, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 19:40, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the entrance to the town of Teqoa, and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

- (i) At 16:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of al-Obeidiyyeh.
- (ii) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of al-Khader.

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- <u>Arrests</u>: On April 19, the Israeli army arrested at al-contained checkpoint a military officer called Hassan Ahmad Hassan al-Amoudi.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish weekend in the area northwest of the town of al-Khader; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Ephrata; and in the area surrounding the village of al-Walaja.

• <u>Closure</u>:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: al-Shuhada' Street and the area of al-Sahleh with cement blocks and barbed wire; the old gold market with an iron gate; the area of Khuzq al-Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino with a dirt barricade and an iron gate; and the entrance to the area of al-Khan with an electronic gate, isolating the area from al-Laban Market and the area of al-Sahleh. The Israeli army also continues to install an iron gate at the entrance to the area of al-Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) in the old city of Hebron, thereby controlling civilian access in the area.
- (ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from traveling along the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron unless they possess access permits.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: the entrance to the town of al-Samoa'; the area of al-Hawawir leading to the town of Halhoul; 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; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of al-Jab'a; the entrance to the village of Beit 'Einun; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to al-Qeisi neighborhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to al-'Arroub refugee camp.
- (ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from traveling along Shalala Old Street that leads to the old city of Hebron, only allowing Israeli vehicles as well as Israeli army vehicles to travel along this street.
- **Flying Checkpoints**: At 12:05, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the entrance to the town of Beit Kahel, and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

- (i) At 08:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron, and set up a checkpoint.
- (ii) At 13:25, the Israeli army raided the town of Bani Na'im and clashed with civilians during patrol.
- (iii) At 16:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of al-Thahiriyyeh.

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- (iv) At 19:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beit Kahel.
- (v) At 22:45, the Israeli army raided the village of Deir Samet, searched 1 civilian house, and handed 1 civilian a notification to report to the Israeli military intelligence.
- (vi) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Halhoul and detonated a civilian vehicle.
- <u>Detention</u>: The Israeli army intensified restrictions in the old city of Hebron on the occasion of the Passover and set up a number of checkpoints. In addition, the Israeli army occupied rooftops of civilian houses and converted them into military posts. Furthermore, the Israeli troops detained a number of civilians and closed the only gate leading to the house of Kayed Sa'ed Daana and his brother.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish weekend in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, the remaining section of the Wall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of al-Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.

GAZA STRIP

• <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: Beit Hanoun (Erez) Crossing is partially open (to allow previously coordinated humanitarian access).

• Raids: At 02:00, the Israeli army raided east of the town of Beit Hanoun; opened fire intensively towards civilian houses and agricultural land; occupied rooftops of civilians houses and converted them into military posts; clashed with armed individuals. In addition, an Israel drone fired 1 missile towards armed individuals and killed 1 armed individual and injured 3. Furthermore, the Israeli army arrested 27 civilians and razed agricultural land. The Israeli army withdrew at 06:00.

• <u>Deaths</u>: The armed individual killed east of the town of Beit Hanoun is Ikrimah Munir Abu Odeh.

- <u>Arrests</u>: The 27 civilians arrested east of the town of Beit Hanoun (mostly from the same family) of whom are known:
 - (a) Khalil Mohammad al-Masri and 5 of his sons;
 - (b) Haid & Mus'eb & Zakaria & Bilal al-Masri;
 - (c) Arafat & Atallah al-Masri; and
 - (d) Ashraf al-Masri and his sons.

• Palestinian Attacks:

- (i) At 09:00, two unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
- (ii) At 18:45, two unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
- (iii) At 19:30, two unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.

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(iv)	At 07:30, one unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
(v)	At 08:00, two unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.

	Closure of Crossing Points:
GAZA	(i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed.
	(ii) Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed.
KHAN YOUNIS	 Raids: At 22:35, the Israeli army raided east of the town of al-Qarara and opened fire intensively towards civilian houses and agricultural land. In addition, the Israeli troops clashed with armed individuals. Attacks: At 23:00, the Israeli army opened fire intensively from its posts inside the Green Line towards civilian houses east of the town of al-Qarara. Palestinian Attacks: At 13:30, armed individuals detonated an expplsoive near an Israeli military jeep on the Green Line east of the town of Khuza'a.
	• Closure of Crossing Points: (All closed)
	(i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (al-Awdah) Crossing is closed.
	(iii) Sufa Crossing is closed.
	(iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) is closed.
RAFAH	 Air Attacks: At 23:40, an Israeli drone fired 3 missiles in two separate air attacks towards a civilian vehicle and a population cluster in the town of al-Shokeh east of the city of Rafah and killed 1 civilian and injured 4, including 1 civilian who was seriously injured. (e) <u>Deaths</u>: The civilian killed in the town of al-Shokeh east of the city of Rafah is called Nour Salman al-Diyari.