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#### PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 04 May 2006 – 08:00 05 May 2006

#### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	1	_	1	1 civilian in the district of Nablus
Physical Assault	1		1	1 child beaten by settlers in Hebron
Injuries	4	_	4	1 civilian in Tulkarem & 3 in Nablus
Attacks	8	7	15	Incl. 6 in raids & 9 from military posts
Raids	29	_	29	Incl. 7 in Ramallah & 5 in Bethlehem
Arrests	15	_	15	Incl. 3 children & 2 security officers
Detentions	18	_	18	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Wall Construction	31	_	31	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	1	_	1	Windshields of vehicles broken
House Occupations	3	_	3	Incl. a number of houses in Balata RC
Curfew	1	_	1	Over Abu Shukheidim town, Ramallah
Closure of Checkpoints	10	_	10	Incl. Tayasir & Al Hamra checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	15	_	15	Incl. 5 in Jerusalem & 5 in Qalqiliya
Closure (per District)	6	1	7	Incl. a buffer zone in Northern Gaza
Closure of Main Roads	27	_	27	Incl. Ash Shuhada' Street in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	_	5	5	Incl. Beit Hanun and Rafah partially
Medical Obstruction	1	_	1	Ambulances denied access, Nablus
Settler Violence	2	_	2	Incl. civilian vehicles stoned, Hebron
Provocation of Pal. Forces		1	1	Shelling near security posts, N. Gaza
Palestinian Attacks		4	4	6 unidentified mortars fired
Pal. Security Measure		1	1	Area near the Green Line combed
TOTAL	173	19	192	

DISTRICT	EVENT
ALL DISTRICTS	<ul> <li>Beginning on 11 March 2006, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure on the West Bank and Gaza Strip districts and to prevent civilians with permits, including workers, from crossing into areas inside the Green Line and into the city of Jerusalem.</li> <li>Beginning on 17 April 2006, and following the suicide attack carried out in the city of Tel Aviv inside the Green Line, the Israeli army has intensified 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 Bank.</li> </ul>

#### WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Closure of Main Roads:         <ul> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat Al Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with a checkpoint, only allowing civilians residing behind the Wall, holders of Jerusalemissued IDs, and civilians with permits to cross.</li> <li>The Israeli army closed the eastern entrance to Dahiyat Bir Nabala with cement slabs, thereby completing the Wall section in the area.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Checkpoint: According to new measures implemented at Qalandiya checkpoint, which the Israeli army has converted into a "border crossing point", the Israeli army has 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.</li> <li>Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Flving Checkpoints: The Israeli army set up 5 flying checkpoints: near the old Qalandiya checkpoint; at the entrances to the towns of Al 'Eizariya and Beit Hanina; and at the entrances to the villages of Rafat and Hizma. Israeli troops positioned at these checkpoints searched civilian vehicles and impeded civilian access.&lt;</li></ul>

#### Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil with dirt barricades. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and to deny access to the city of Ramallah for civilians holding IDs issued in the northern districts of the West Bank. 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. Flying Checkpoint: At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Rima and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids/Curfew: (i) At 13:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Ramallah and patrolled the area. At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city again, **RAMALLAH** opened indiscriminate fire, arrested 1 university student, and withdrew at 04:00. **EL BIREH** (ii) At 19:00, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh. At 00:35, the Israeli army raided and imposed curfew over the town of (iii) Abu Shukheidim as well as raided the village of Abu Qash. At 03:00, the Israeli army, including 3 armoured vehicles and 10 jeeps, (iv) raided the village of Kafr 'Ein, searched a number of houses, and withdrew at 05:30. At 04:40, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the town of Beit (v) Rima, arrested 2 civilians, and withdrew at 05:30. **Arrests:** (i) The Israeli army arrested Ali in the city of Ramallah. (Only the civilian's first name was known). The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Beit Rima: Rami Tahseen Zeidani: and (ii) (iii) Ahmed Sameh 'Atiyyeh. Closure of Road: 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 continues to close Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas, denying civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley, except for Jericho-ID holders and commercial trucks. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted **JENIN** special Israeli permits. **Flying Checkpoints:** At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to (i) the town of 'Arraba and searched civilians and vehicles. At 08:50, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints on the junctions (ii) to the villages of Al Jarba and Ash Shuhada' and searched civilians and vehicles.

#### • Raids/Attack:

- (i) At 08:50, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Qabatiya.
- (ii) At 02:30, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp, opened fire, fired sound grenades, and patrolled the area until 05:00.
- (iii) At 03:00, the Israeli army, including 6 jeeps, raided the town of Kafr Ra'i and patrolled the area until 05:00.
- <u>Closure</u>: 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 following roads: the road connecting Dahiyat Dhinnaba in the city of Tulkarem to the town of Kafr al Labad; the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa; the southern entrance to the town of Baqa ash Sharqiya; and the Kafr Sur-Wadi at Tin road. 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 continues to close 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus road, denying access to civilian vehicles. The Israeli army prevents civilian residents of the Tulkarem district from leaving the district, except for those residing in towns and villages east of the checkpoint.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) and to prevent civilians holding IDs issued in the districts of Jenin and Tulkarem from crossing towards the southern districts of the West Bank. In addition, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint allow civilian residents of villages located south of the city of Tulkarem in the Tulkarem district to cross on foot, only after examining civilians' places of residence.
- <u>Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.

#### • Attacks:

- (i) At 14:40, Israeli troops positioned at 'Einav checkpoint set up on the main road connecting the districts of Tulkarem and Nablus opened indiscriminate fire, preventing civilians from crossing in both directions.
- (ii) At 19:10, Israeli troops positioned on the military watchtower near Dahiyat Irtah in the city of Tulkarem opened fire towards Abdul Karim Jihad al Beetar, injuring him in the foot. Al Beetar was then transported to Tulkarem Public Hospital.

#### Raids:

(i) At 00:40, the Israeli army, including 6 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of Tulkarem and Tulkarem refugee camp.

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	(ii) At 04:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Kafr al Labad and				
	searched a number of houses.				
	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.				
	• Flying Checkpoints:				
	(i) At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern				
	entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles.				
	(ii) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern				
	entrance to the city of Qalqiliya (Habla tunnel) and searched civilians				
QALQILIYA	and vehicles.				
	(iii) At 23:40, the Israeli army set up 3 flying checkpoints: at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya; at the northern entrance to the town of				
	'Azzun; and at the entrance to the village of An Nabi Elyas. Israeli				
	troops positioned at these checkpoints searched civilians and vehicles.				
	• Raid: At 13:25, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the town of				
	'Azzun and arrested 2 civilians, 1 Palestinian National Security officer, and				
	1 Palestinian General Intelligence officer.				
	• Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians and 2 Palestinian officers in				
	the town of 'Azzun:				
	(i) Mohammed 'Abdul Rahman Hussein, a Palestinian National Security officer;				
	(ii) Rami Ahmed Sukkar, a Palestinian General Intelligence officer;				
	(iii) Safwan Mansour Saleem; and				
	(iv) Yousef Ghazi Sweidan.				
	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				
NABLUS	road, which is the north-eastern entrance to the city of Nablus and				
	connects the city to the district of Jenin.				
	(iii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Beita				
	with dirt barricades.				
	• Checkpoints:  (i) The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing Huyawara				
	(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 around the city				
	reopens them at various morning hours.				
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- (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Beit Iba and Huwwara checkpoints and to deny access to civilians between 15 and 30 years of age as well as holders of IDs issued in the districts of Jenin and Tulkarem.
- (iii) At 11:40, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya prevented civilians from crossing, only allowing access to civilian residents of the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya as well as the villages of Talluza, Sabastiya, Burqa, Beit Imrin, and Ijnisinya.
- Attack: At 18:30, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up on Al Badhan road east of the city of Nablus opened fire towards and killed 1 civilian, while he was attempting to enter the city of Nablus in a taxi through an unpaved detour road.
- <u>Killing</u>: Israeli troops killed Zakariya Mohammed Daraghmeh along Al Badhan road.

#### • Raids/Medical Obstruction/House Occupation:

- (i) On the dawn of 04 May 2006, the Israeli army raided the village of Qaryut and searched a number of houses.
- (ii) At 21:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Beit Imrin and arrested 1 civilian.
- (iii) At 02:45, the Israeli army, including 20 jeeps and 11 trucks, raided Balata refugee camp. An armed confrontation took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals, during which the Israeli army injured 3 civilians. The Israeli army also prevented ambulances from transporting the injured civilians, searched a number of houses, and arrested 5 civilians, including 2 children. In addition, the Israeli army occupied a number of houses and converted them into military posts. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning.

#### • Arrests:

(i) The Israeli army arrested Mus'ab 'Adnan Samarah in the village of Beit Imrin.

The Israeli army arrested 5 civilians in Balata refugee camp:

- (ii) Maher Iyad Freet, 16 years old;
- (iii) Mohammed Omar Badrasawi, 17 years old;
- (iv) Muhannad Rushdi Khurmah;
- (v) Khalil Yousef at Tayyan; and
- (vi) Mohammed ar Rayassi.

#### • 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 *Intifada* (Uprising).

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(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrances to the town of Bruqin and the village of Marda. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik and with an iron gate the northern entrance to the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan.

#### **Checkpoints:** The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut (i) checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara (ii) junction checkpoint and to prevent civilians holding IDs issued in the districts of Jenin and Tulkarem from crossing towards the southern districts of the West Bank. 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. Raid/Detention: At 17:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Marda, detained 5 civilians, of whom 4 are brothers (including 1 child), and released them at 20:50. **Closure:** The Israeli army continues to intensify the closure imposed on the city of Jericho, to prevent civilian residents of the city of Jericho from leaving the city, and to deny civilians from other districts entry into the city, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs to cross checkpoints in all directions. In addition, the Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja with cement blocks, to prevent farmers not holding Jericho-issued IDs from reaching their land forcing them to apply for access permits, and to deny access to the city to holders of Israeli-issued IDs. **JERICHO Checkpoints:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close Al Hamra checkpoint set up on the Jericho-Nablus road, denying civilian access, except for farmers holding Jericho-issued IDs. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the DCO checkpoint set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho and to deny civilian access, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs to cross in both directions. In addition, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint only allow civilian residents of the city of Jericho to enter the city. 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 **BETHLEHEM** 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 11:05, and again at 19:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of (i) Bethlehem.

- (ii) At 13:30, an Israeli army patrol raided 'Ayda refugee camp and patrolled the area.
- (iii) At 23:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Khadr and arrested 1 child.
- (iv) The Israeli army raided the village of Wadi Fukin and arrested 1 civilian.

#### • Arrests:

- (i) The Israeli army arrested Wisam Jameel Sansour, 16 years old, in the town of Al Khadr.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested Jihad Yousef 'Atiyyeh in the village of Wadi Fukin.

#### • Closure:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the H2 section of the city of Hebron: Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh with cement blocks and barbed wire; the old gold market with an iron gate; and the area of Khuzq al Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino with a dirt barricade and an iron gate. The Israeli army also 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.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the closure of 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.

### • 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.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: 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 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles.

#### • Raids/Attack/House Occupation:

(i) At 11:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, searched 1 commercial shop, and opened indiscriminate fire while it was patrolling

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- the area of Wadi al Hariya. At 17:00, the Israeli army raided the city again, opened fire toward the gate of 1 building in the area of Bab az Zawiya, raided the building, and converted it into a military post.
- (ii) At 12:40, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Yatta. At 04:00, the Israeli army raided the town again and searched 1 house.
- (iii) At 24:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura and searched 2 houses
- <u>House Occupation</u>: At 17:10, the Israeli army occupied 1 house belonging to Ahmed Abdul Raheem Abu Sneineh in the area of As Sahleh in the old city of Hebron and converted it into a military post.
- Settler Violence/Physical Assault/Destruction of Property:
- (i) At 11:00, a group of Israeli settlers severely beat 13-year-old Abdullah al Ja'bari in the old city of Hebron, after which he was transported to hospital for medical treatment.
- (ii) At 19:00, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Hagai south of the city of Hebron threw stones at civilian vehicles travelling near the settlement, breaking the windshields of a number of vehicles.

#### **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.
- Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:
- (i) Between 07:00 and 09:00, the Israeli army fired 19 artillery shells from its locations inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory near Palestinian National Security locations north and northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya and near the area of Al Hawuz opposite An Nada towers north of the town of Beit Lahiya.
- (ii) At 17:40, an Israeli naval boat opened fire towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea opposite As Sudaniya beach northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya.

#### • Palestinian Attacks:

- (i) At 15:55, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
- (ii) At 04:50, 3 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
- (iii) At 05:55, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.

	<ul> <li>(iv) At 06:25, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.</li> <li>Palestinian Security Measure: At 14:05 and following coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO), the Engineering Unit affiliated with the Palestinian National Security forces completed combing the area near Points 2 and 6 on the Green Line north of the town of Beit Lahiya for the 2<sup>nd</sup> consecutive day.</li> </ul>
GAZA	• Attack: At 20:00, the Israeli army opened fire and fired 1 flare from Point 73 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory north of Nahal 'Oz Crossing east of Gaza city.
CENTRAL GAZA	• Attack: At 20:25, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 120 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of Al Bureij refugee camp.
KHAN YUNIS	<u>Attack</u> : At 13:10, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 160 on the Green Line towards a number of children at a distance of 150 metres from the Green Line east of the area of Al Qarara.
RAFAH	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Rafah Crossing is partially open in both directions to passengers holding Palestinian IDs, humanitarian cases, and Arab and foreign diplomatic missions.</li> <li>Sufa Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

#### **GENERAL**

WORK PERMITS	<ul> <li>West Bank: The Israeli authorities annulled all the work permits issued to Palestinian workers for crossing the Green Line.</li> <li>Gaza Strip: Valid work permits that have been issued by the Israeli authorities for crossing the Green Line total 11. All the Palestinian workers possessing the valid work permits (11) were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line.</li> </ul>
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