مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 06 May 2005 – 08:00 07 May 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	_	1	1 child severely beaten
Attacks	5	6	11	Incl. 1 during a raid & 7 from posts
Raids	16	1	17	Incl. 2 in Ramallah & 3 in Tulkarem
Arrests (per person)	5	7	12	Incl. 3 officers and 1 student
Detentions	4	_	4	Incl. foreign nationals in Bil'in
Curfew	1	_	1	Silat adh Dhahr in the district of Jenin
Checkpoints	(All)	_	(All)	
Flying Checkpoints	8	_	8	Incl. 1 in Bethlehem & 1 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	5	_	5	Incl. Jerusalem & Jericho (partially)
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(9)	_	Incl. 1 partially
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	_	(All)	Incl. searches at 'Azzun 'Atma
Closure of Crossing Points	_	5	5	Incl. 1 partially open
School Disruption	1	_	1	Students denied access to schools
Settler Violence	1	_	1	Incl. open fire towards 2 civilians
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2	_	2	Incl. position near 1 Pal. checkpoint
Palestinian Attack	_	1	1	4 unidentified mortars fired
Pal. Security Measures	_	6	6	Incl. 2 children arrested
Demonstrations	2		2	In Bil'in and Beit Liqya
TOTAL	51	26	77	

DISTRICT	EVENT		
ALL DISTRICTS	Beginning on 11 November 2004, following the official announcement of the death of President Yasser Arafat, the Israeli army continues to impose a total closure on the West Bank, preventing civilians and workers from crossing the Green Line.		

WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	 Closure: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and set up several checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and in the area surrounding Al Aqsa Mosque compound, obstructing worshippers from accessing Al Aqsa Mosque to perform Friday prayers. The Israeli army also closed the area surrounding the offices of the Greek Orthodox Patriarchate in the old city of Jerusalem and prevented civilians from approaching the area. Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close Ar Ram junction leading to the town of Bir Nabala for Wall construction. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Qalandiya and An Nabi Samwil checkpoints and obstruct civilian movement. Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in Dahiyat al Aqbat, the villages of Hizma and 'Anata, the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya, near Al Quds University, the area of Ash Shayyah, in the town of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya, the village of Beit Surik, and in the area of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Bil'in, Saffa, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya. Flying Checkpoint: At 23:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Surda along the Ramallah-Bir Zeit road and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 21:15, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the city of El Bireh and patrolled the area near Al Hashimiya School. At 23:50, Israeli army infantry forces raided and patrolled the village of Dura al Qar'. Settler Violence/Physical Assault: At 16:40, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Halamish opened indiscriminate fire towards 2 civilians

	 while they were tending sheep. Israeli settlers also detained Isam'il Abdul Hafith at Tamimi and severely beat his son, 17-year-old Mohammed, after which he was transported to hospital for injuries sustained. The Israeli settlers released the detained civilian at 20:15. Demonstrations/Detention: (i) At 19:40, a mass demonstration took place in the village of Beit Liqya in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. (ii) A mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Bil'in in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army detained a number of civilians and international peace activists.
JENIN	 Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River. Raid/Curfew/School Disruption: At 07:30 on 07 May 2005, the Israeli army raided the town of Silat adh Dhahr, imposed curfew, and prevented students from accessing their schools. The Israeli army remains positioned in the town as of 08:00 this morning.
TULKAREM	 Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Flying Checkpoints: At 20:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the settlement of 'Einav and arrested 1 Palestinian National Security officer. At 22:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Far'un and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 10:20, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the village of Kafr 'Abbush. At 13:10, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided and patrolled the area east of Dahiyat Dhinnaba. At 20:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the area of Tall ar Rabi' south of the city of Tulkarem and patrolled the area. Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the junction to the settlement of 'Einav arrested Asad Mufid Khalil, a Palestinian National Security officer.

QALQILYA	 Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and search civilians with a metal detector. Flying Checkpoints: At 00:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya (Habla tunnel located under the Wall) and searched civilians and vehicles. Attack: At 21:50, the Israeli army fired 1 flare towards the neighbourhoods west of the city of Qalqiliya. Raid: At 10:20, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Baqat al Hatab and patrolled the area.
NABLUS	 Checkpoint: At 08:00 on 07 May 2005, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Za'tara junction checkpoint and prevented civilians from crossing in both directions. Raids: At 11:30, the Israeli army, including 3 tanks, raided the town of Beit Iba, set up a checkpoint on the junction to the village of Zawata, and searched civilians and vehicles until 12:00. At 22:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Sarra and fired sound and tear gas grenades while patrolling the area. Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at a checkpoint set up near the settlement of Shavei Shomron arrested Mahmoud Mohammed Ahmed, a student.
SALFIT	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to open the iron gate set up at the entrance to the village of Yasuf from morning until 18:00 only. Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the town of Deir Ballut and the village of Az Zawiya near the Green Line.
JERICHO	 Closure: The road between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja (Road # 90) is closed with cement blocks. At various times, the Israeli army impeded civilian movement into the city of Jericho. Flying Checkpoint: At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along Al Mu'arrajat road between the districts of Jericho and Ramallah and searched civilians and vehicles.
BETHLEHEM	Closure: The Israeli army continues to close the only road leading to the village of Al Nu'man, northeast of the Bethlehem district, isolating the

- village and placing it, together with the adjacent village of Al Khas, under the jurisdiction of the Jerusalem municipality. The Israeli army considers the civilian presence in the villages illegal.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend north of 'Ayda refugee camp towards the area north of the city of Beit Jala, and west of the village of Husan.

• Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:

- (i) At 10:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr, set up a checkpoint near 1 Palestinian National Security checkpoint, detained a number of civilians, and arrested 1 Palestinian Police officer. At 13:35, and again at 22:50, the Israeli army raided the town again and patrolled the area until 23:00.
- (ii) At 12:15, the Israeli army raided the town of Al 'Ubeidiya and took position near 1 Palestinian National Security checkpoint until 12:25.
- (iii) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided the area of 'Arab ar Rashayida and arrested 1 civilian.

• Arrests:

- (i) The Israeli army arrested Taysir Hashem Jamil, a Palestinian Police officer, in the town of Al Khadr.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested Salameh Mahmoud ar Rashayida in the area of 'Arab ar Rashayida.

• Closure:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close Al Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh in the H2 section of the city of Hebron with cement blocks and barbed wire, denying civilians and vehicles access.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close Shalala Street with cement blocks.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend west of the towns of Surif, Beit Ula, in the town of Idhna, and west of the town of Beit 'Awwa in the area extending from the village of Deir Samit, in the town of Beit 'Awwa, and towards the village of Al Burj.
- <u>Flying Checkpoint</u>: At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Kharsa and arrested 1 Palestinian Police officer.

Raids:

- (i) At 20:00, Israeli army infantry forces, including 20 soldiers, raided and patrolled the town of Dura.
- (ii) At 23:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the city of Hebron and patrolled several neighbourhoods.
- <u>Arrest</u>: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Kharsa arrested Khaled 'Ata Ikhdheirat, a Palestinian Police Captain.

HEBRON

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	 <u>Closure</u>: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open (to humanitarian cases and VIPs only). <u>Palestinian Attack</u>: At 02:45, 4 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. 1 mortar exploded in the area where it was fired.
GAZA	 Closure: (i) Nitsareem junction remains closed. (ii) Al Shuhada Junction-Al Muntar Crossing road is closed. (iii) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. (iv) Nahal 'Oz Crossing is closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	 Arrests: At 01:20, the Israeli army arrested 4 unidentified civilians near Point 120 on the Green Line east of Al Bureij refugee camp, claiming that they attempted to gain access to areas inside the Green Line. At 02:45, the Israeli army arrested 3 unidentified civilians near Point 136 on the Green Line east of the city of Deir al Balah, claiming that they attempted to gain access to areas inside the Green Line. Palestinian Security Measures: At 19:00, a Palestinian security patrol evacuated a number of civilians near Point 127 on the Green Line east of Al Maghazi refugee camp. At 20:00, Palestinian security forces arrested 2 children as they were attempting to gain access to areas inside the Green Line east of the city of Deir al Balah.
KHAN YUNIS	 Closure: Abu Al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed. Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is closed. Deir al Balah junction to Abu Holi checkpoint (Kfar Darom road) is closed. Morag road, connecting Khan Yunis' eastern and western roads, is closed. Attacks: At 12:45, the Israeli army opened fire from its locations at Points 8 and 11 towards a number of children as they approached the security line in the area opposite Al Amal neighbourhood and West Khan Yunis refugee camp. At 16:40, and again at 19:05, the Israeli army opened fire from its

	locations at Points 9 and 10 towards a number of children as they approached the security line in the area opposite West Khan Yunis refugee camp. • Raid: At 03:10, an Israeli army tank raided 20 meters into Palestinian territory near Point 9.5 opposite West Khan Yunis refugee camp. • Palestinian Security Measures: (i) At 11:40, a Palestinian security patrol evacuated a number of civilians near Point 13.5 in the area of Batn as Samin. (ii) At 11:50, and again at 20:00, a Palestinian security patrol evacuated a number of children near Point 10 opposite West Khan Yunis refugee camp.
RAFAH	 Closure: Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. Al Mawasi/Rafah road is closed. Sufa Crossing is closed. Alon – Tall as Sultan checkpoint, at the entrance to Al Mawasi/Rafah, south of the city of Deir al Balah, is partially open. Attack: At 06:00 on 07 May 2005, the Israeli army opened fire from its locations at Points 5 and 8 along the Egyptian border towards Palestinian territory in the neighbourhoods of As Salaam and Yabna in Rafah refugee camp. Palestinian Security Measures: At 17:30, a Palestinian security patrol evacuated a number of civilians near Point 6 along the Egyptian border opposite Al Barazil neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp.