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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 07 May 2007 - 08:00 08 May 2007

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	1	1	2	Incl. 1 child in the city of Bethlehem
Air Attack	_	1	1	1 missile fired by a UAV, Northern Gaza
Attacks	4	4	8	Incl. 5 in raids & 1 from a military post
Raids	28	9	37	Incl. 7 in Jenin and 6 in Northern Gaza
Air Patrol		1	1	UAV over the Northern Gaza district
Arrests	20		20	Incl. 4 in Jenin and 11 in Tulkarem
Detentions	21	2	23	Incl. 1 child and 3 Pal. security officers
Wall Construction	25	_	25	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Hebron, Beth.
Destruction of Property	2	1	3	Incl. a civilian vehicle destroyed, N. Gaza
Land Confiscation	1	_	1	9.52 dunums in the Qalqiliya district
House Occupation	1	_	1	Converted into a military post in Nablus
Curfew	1	_	1	Over the village of Beita in Nablus district
Closure of Checkpoints	17	_	17	Incl. access impeded at 10 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	17	_	17	Incl. 5 in Jenin and 3 in Jericho
Closure (per District)	6	_	6	Incl. Jerusalem and Tulkarem partially
Closure of Main Roads	35	_	35	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem & 3 in Ramallah
Closure of Crossing Points	_	5	5	Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially
Settlement Activity	1	_	1	An unpaved detour road constructed
Settler Violence	1	_	1	Dozens of olive trees uprooted, Qalqiliya
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	_	1	Forces demanded not to leave positions
Palestinian Attack		1	1	1 mortar fired towards the Green Line
TOTAL	182	25	207	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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WEST BANK

ALL DISTRICTS

• 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 Bank.

• <u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also continues to close the entrances to the Al Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and impede civilian access to the mosque.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat al Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with a barbed wire gate and to deny civilian access.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al Bareed to the town of Ar Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint 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.

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Wall Gates:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Ash Shayyah road in the area between the villages of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As 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 Ash 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.
- Raids: The Israeli army raided the villages of Beit Ijza and Al Qubeiba and arrested 1 civilian as well as 1 Palestinian National Security officer.
- <u>Arrests</u>: The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian and 1 Palestinian security officer in the villages of Beit Ijza and Al Qubeiba:
- (i) Hanthala Ibrahim Wahdan, a Palestinian National Security officer; and
- (ii) 'Atef Hani Abu Kafyeh.

RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil as well as the road to the village of Ras Karkar. The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and to impede civilian access. 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. Flying Checkpoint: At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Silwad and the village of Yabrud, searched civilians and vehicles, and impeded civilian access.
JENIN	 Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the unpaved detour roads 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 civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence is the Northern Jordan Valley. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Beginning on 29 March 2007, the Israeli army has continued to regulate times to open Al Jalama and Salim Wall gates between 06:30 until 10:00 and 17:00 until 21:00 respectively. Flving Checkpoints: At 08:30, the Israeli army set up 5 flying checkpoints: 4 on the junctions to the town of 'Arraba as well as the villages of Al Kufeir, Sir, and Al Jarba and 1 on in the area between the town of Qabatiya and the village of Misliya. Israeli troops positioned at these flying checkpoints searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 18:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Al Far'a. At 02:00, the Israeli army including 5 jeeps, raided the village of Kafr Dan. While patrolling the area, an armed confrontation took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals. At 06:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. At 03:00, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the town of Qabatiya, searched 2 houses, and withdrew at 05:30. At 03:30, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the town of Kafr Ra'i, searched a number houses, arrested 4 civilians, and withdrew at 05:00. At 04:00, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp and patrolled the area until 06:00. The Israeli army raided the village of Al Jalama and searched 1 house.

	• Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the town of Kafr Ra'i:
	(i) Suhayb Mohammed Thyab;
	(ii) Mohammed 'Ayed al Atrash;
	(iii) Ayman Mohammed Yihya; and
	(iv) Ahmed Mohammed ash Sheikh Ibrahim.
TULKAREM	 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. Closure of Main Roads: 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 plain, the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa, and the road to the town of Deir al Ghusun's plain. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) as well as at 'Einav checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city). Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 02:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and Tulkarem refugee camp, after having requested (through the DCO) that Palestinian security forces not leave their positions. The Israeli army also searched a number of buildings and houses and arrested 11 civilians, including a university student. At 05:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 11 civilians in the city of Tulkarem and Tulkarem refugee camp: Ahmed 'Assem 'Odeh; Ahmed 'Assem 'Odeh; Ahmed Zuheir Jamous; Ahmed Zuheir Jamous; Ahmed 'Anmouri; Mahmoud Mustafa 'Assas; Jamal Abdullah Hadaydeh; Adnan Tayseer Samarah; Xiada Handan Zbeidi; and Sadeq Sameeh al Qarout. Detentions: At 11:20, Israeli troops positioned at Jubara checkpoint detained Mahmoud Lutfi Hamzeh, a Palestinian National Security officer, and released him at 14:30. At 12:30, Israeli troops positioned at Jubara checkpoint detained Ali Sami Mustafa, a Palestinian National Security officer, and released him at a later time.
QALQILIYA	• <u>Closure of Roads</u> : The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.

• 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 levelling for Wall construction continues in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun.

Raids:

- (i) At 11:30, and again at 03:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Qalqiliya.
- (ii) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Azzun and searched a number of houses.
- (iii) The Israeli army raided the village of 'Izbat at Tabib, set up a checkpoint at its entrance, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.
- <u>Land Confiscation</u>: On 11 April 2007, the Israeli army issued Military Order # T/15/07 for the confiscation of 9.52 *dunums* (2.352 acres) of land belonging to the village of Kafr Qaddum for construction a road that separates the settlement of Kedumim from the village of Kafr Qaddum.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: A group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Kedumim uprooted dozens of olive trees on land belonging to the village of Jit.

• 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.
- <u>Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:
- (i) Huwwara and Beit Iba checkpoints (set up at the southern and western entrances to the city of Nablus respectively) are closed at 23:00. The Israeli army only allows civilian vehicles possessing access permits to cross these checkpoints. The Israeli army also searches civilians using metal detectors at Beit Iba checkpoint, impeding their access.
- (ii) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jirzim 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 neighbourhood only.
- (iii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30.
- (iv) 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 ash Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only allowing access to humanitarian cases.

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	(v) At 08:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints set
	up around the city of Nablus and impeded civilian access.
	(vi) At 20:30, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Al Badhan
	checkpoint and impeded civilian access.
	• Raids/Curfew/House Occupation/Attacks:
	(i) At 09:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Beita and imposed
	curfew, allegedly for throwing stones at Israeli army patrols. At 11:00,
	the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
	(ii) At 19:15, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, occupied 1
	building, converted it into a military post, and patrolled the area.
	(iii) At 01:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus as well as Balata
	and 'Askar refugee camps, opened indiscriminate fire, and searched a
	number of houses. The Israeli army also arrested 1 civilian in the city of
	Nablus.
	(iv) The Israeli army raided the village of Osarin. While patrolling the area,
	confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.
	• Arrests:
	(i) At 11:00, Israeli troops positioned at Al Badhan checkpoint arrested
	Yousef Ahmed Bani 'Odeh.
	(ii) The Israeli army arrested Ihab Khamis al Qareeni 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).
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western
	entrance to the village of Marda and, with cement blocks, the western
	entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik.
	• Checkpoints:
	(i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut
	checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik.
SALFIT	(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 in the area 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.
	• Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the
	eastern entrance to the town of Biddya and searched civilians and vehicles.
	• Detention/Destruction of Property: At 16:45, Israeli troops positioned at the
	Za'tara junction checkpoint detained Raby Mahmoud Raby, a Palestinian
	National Security officer, and damaged his vehicle due to thorough
	searches. At 17:10, Israeli troops released Raby.
	• <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 and to prevent
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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: 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 connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah. Flying Checkpoints: At 06:00 on 07 May 2007, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja along Al Mu'arrajat road that connects the districts of Jericho and Ramallah and searched civilians and vehicles. At 14:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to the settlement of Vered Yericho and searched civilians and vehicles. At 14:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the settler bypass road east of the city of Jericho, searched civilians and vehicles, and impeded civilian access. Raid/Settlement Activity: At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Al 'Auja and constructed a 1,500-metre-long unpaved detour road to connect the villages of Al 'Auja and 'Ein ad Duyuk towards the east.
BETHLEHEM	 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. 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. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the detour roads leading to the town of Tuqu'. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr, northwest of the city of Beit Jala, and in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Efrat. Raids/Attack/Injury/Destruction of Property: At 08:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. At 20:20, the Israeli army, including 25 jeeps, raided the city again. While surrounding a residential neighbourhood, the Israeli army opened intensive fire, injuring 1 child. in addition, the Israeli army demolished the wall of a building and arrested 1 Palestinian National Security officer. At 02:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Waleed Mohammed az Zaqzouq, a Palestinian National Security officer, in the city of Bethlehem.
HEBRON	• Closure: (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old 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; 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 As 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 to and from 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 travelling 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 As Samoa'; 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; 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 neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp.
- (ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling 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.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, the remaining section of the Wall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of Ar Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Idhna, searched civilians and vehicles, and impeded civilian access.
- (ii) At 21:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the road to the town of Beit Kahil, searched civilians and vehicles, and impeded civilian access.

• Raids:

- (i) At 08:15, the Israeli army raided the town of Bani Na'im, set up a checkpoint at its entrance, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.
- (ii) At 10:30, and again at 13:30, and at 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron.

GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS	• The ceasefire agreement that entered into force at 06:00 on 26 November 2006 remains effective. However, an Israeli UAV carried out an air attack on Palestinian territory, resulting in the injury of an armed Palestinian individual and destruction of a civilian vehicle. In addition, the Israeli army and navy opened fire on 4 occasions. The Israeli army also carried out 9 raids into Palestinian territory, during one of which the Israeli army detained 2 civilians, including 1 child. Additionally, armed Palestinian individuals attempted to fire 1 mortar towards the Green Line, but it exploded in the area from which it was launched.
NORTHERN GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, humanitarian cases, and VIPs. Air Attack/Injury/Destruction of Property: At 16:25, an Israeli UAV fired 1 missile towards a civilian vehicle near the southern entrance to the town of Beit Hanun, resulting in the injury of an armed Palestinian individual and destruction of the vehicle. Attack: At 13:30, the Israeli army opened fire from the area near Point 4 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory north of the town of Beit Lahiya, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement. Raids/Detentions: In violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, the Israeli army carried out 6 raids into Palestinian territory, as follows: (i) At 10:50, the Israeli army, including 2 armoured vehicles, raided 50 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 14 on the Green Line north of the town of Beit Lahiya. At 19:10, Israeli army infantry forces raided 500 metres into the area again. (ii) At 20:00, Israeli Special Forces raided Palestinian territory near Point 4 on the Green Line northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya, detained 1 civilian, and released him at 21:00. (iii) At 22:00, the Israeli army, including 2 armoured vehicles, raided 100 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 27 on the Green Line northeast of the town of Beit Hanun. (iv) At 23:40, Israeli Special Forces raided Palestinian territory near Al Qarya al Badawiya north of the town of Beit Lahiya, detained 1 child, and released him at a later time. (v) At 01:30, the Israeli army, including 7 armoured vehicles, raided 500 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 51 on the Green Line east of Abu Safiya hill southeast of the town of Beit Hanun. At 06:45, the Israeli army withdrew form the area. Palestinian Attack: At 00:50, in violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, armed Palestinian individuals attempted to fire 1 unidentified mo
GAZA	• Raid: At 09:20, an Israeli army armoured vehicle raided Palestinian territory near Point 83 on the Green Line east of Gaza city, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement.

CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	• Raid/Attack: At 20:00, in violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided Palestinian territory near Point 160 on the Green Line east of the area of Al Qarara, opened indiscriminate fire, and fired flares. The Israeli army withdrew from the area at a later time.
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah Crossing is closed. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Slim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed. Attack: At 00:10, the Israeli navy opened fire towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea opposite the beach of the city of Rafah, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement. Raid: At 16:50, in violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, the Israeli army, including 3 armoured vehicles, raided 150 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 224 on the Green Line east of the area of As Shoka east of the city of Rafah and withdrew at a later time.

GENERAL

• Abuse of Political Prisoners: On the morning of 07 May 2007, 300 Israeli Police officers, using Police dogs, raided Galboa' Prison, where over 600 political prisoners are held. Israeli Police officers fired rubber-coated steel bullets as well as sound and tear gas grenades towards prisoners and beat them with clubs, leaving a number of prisoners with injuries. Meanwhile, 20 families from the district of Jerusalem were visiting their relative prisoners. However, the Israeli Police officers forced prisoners' families to leave the visiting hall.
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