## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 09 May 2007 – 08:00 10 May 2007

## **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	2		2	2 civilian protestors beaten in Hebron
Injuries	4	_	4	Incl. 1 child and 1 pregnant woman
Attacks	7	4	11	Incl. 5 in raids & 1 from a military post
Raids	27	1	28	Incl. 3 in Qalqiliya & 5 in Hebron
Air Patrols	_	2	2	Helicopters over Northern Gaza district
Arrests	19		19	Incl. 1 child and 1 Pal. security officer
Detentions	20		20	Incl. 1 international peace activist
House Demolitions	*		_	Notice to demolish 6 houses in Jenin
Wall Construction	25		25	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Hebron, Beth.
Confiscation of Property	1	_	1	A rifle from a house in Ramallah district
House Occupations	2		2	2 houses in Ramallah and Salfit districts
Closure of Checkpoints	15		15	Incl. access impeded at 8 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	17		17	Incl. 6 in Jerusalem and 3 in Salfit
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	_	3	3	Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially
Settler Violence	1		1	Civilian land ploughed in Nablus
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	2	3	Incl. fire opened towards a security post
Palestinian Attack	_	1	1	2 mortars fired towards the Green Line
Demonstration	1		1	Against a road closure in Hebron
TOTAL	183	13	196	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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## WEST BANK The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints set up **ALL** on the main roads connecting the West Bank districts, thereby isolating the northern districts from the southern districts as well as the Jericho district DISTRICTS and the Jordan Valley from the remainder of the West Bank. Closure: 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:** 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 Ar Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area. The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to (iii) the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho. Checkpoint: 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. **JERUSALEM Wall Gates:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall (ii) 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. **Flying Checkpoints:** The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village (i) of Beit Iksa, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian.

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The Israeli army set up 3 flying checkpoints: 1 at the entrance to the

town of Al 'Eizariya and 2 others on the junctions to the village of Hizma and the area of Al Khan al Ahmar. Israeli troops positioned at

these flying checkpoints searched civilians and vehicles.

## Raids: At 03:10, the Israeli army, including 20 jeeps, raided Qalandiya refugee (i) camp, searched 1 house, and withdrew at 04:20. At 03:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area of Samir Amis (ii) north of the city of Jerusalem. Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of Beit Iksa arrested Dhiya' Ahmed Saleh ash Sheikh. **Closure of Main Roads:** The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern (i) entrance to the village of Sinjil as well as the road to the village of Ras The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western (ii) 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 Checkpoints:** At 10:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to (i) **RAMALLAH** the village of 'Ein 'Arik, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded & civilian access. **EL BIREH** At 18:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to (ii) the village of Beit Liqua, searched civilians and vehicles, and impeded civilian access. **Raids/Confiscation of Property/House Occupation:** (i) At 05:00 on 09 May 2007, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Lubban al Gharbi, searched 1 house, and confiscated a rifle. At 11:10, the Israeli army raided the village of Dura al Qar', occupied 1 (ii) house, converted it into a military post, and withdrew at 21:00. (iii) The Israeli army raided the town of Silwad and arrested 1 civilian. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Abdullah Isma'il Hamed in the town of Silwad. **Detention:** At 09:00, the Israeli army detained Samirah Ahmed Hussein, a female civilian, while she was visiting her brother, who is arrested at 'Ofar Detention and Interrogation Centre. <u>Closure of Roads</u>: 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. **JENIN 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:

- (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
- (ii) 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.
- <u>Flying Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the village of Fahma and searched civilians and vehicles.

## • Raids/Attacks/Injury:

- (i) At 19:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin and arrested 1 civilian.
- (ii) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Yamun and opened intensive fire, while patrolling the area. At 24:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- (iii) At 05:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Qabatiya. While searching a number of houses, the Israeli army opened fire, injuring 1 civilian. In addition, the Israeli army arrested 5 civilians and withdrew at 08:00.

## • <u>Arrests</u>:

(i) The Israeli army arrested Samer Mu'een Jabr in the city of Jenin.

The Israeli army arrested 5 civilians in the town of Qabatiya:

- (ii) 'Assem Waleed Saba'neh;
- (iii) Amin Mahmoud Zakarneh;
- (iv) Ahmed Nassri Abu ar Rub;
- (v) Mujahed Wael Nazzal; and
- (vi) Ala' 'Assem Abu ar Rub.
- <u>House Demolitions</u>: On 08 May 2007, the Israeli army distributed notices for the demolition of 6 houses in the village of Al 'Aqaba. These houses belong to:
- (i) Munjed Sidqi Sbeih;
- (ii) Sufyan Husni Sbeih;
- (iii) Najed Sidqi Sbeih;
- (iv) Na'eemeh Mahmoud Abdul Razeq, a female civilian;
- (v) Khaled Sabri Dawoud; and
- (vi) Salah Salim Jaber.

## TULKAREM

- <u>Closure</u>: 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>: 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.
- <u>Checkpoints</u>: 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).
- <u>Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.

## **Flying Checkpoints:** At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to (i) the town of Beit Lid and searched civilians and vehicles. At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to (ii) the villages of Ramin and Bizzariya and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 19:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Illar. (i) At 03:00, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the city of (ii) Tulkarem, searched 2 houses, and arrested 1 civilian. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested 'Amer As'ad al Jallad in the city of Tulkarem. Closure of Roads: 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. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma (ii) Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector. Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr **QALQILIYA** Thulth and 'Azzun. Raids: (i) At 01:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya, searched a number of houses and commercial shops, and arrested 4 civilians. The Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Azzun and the (ii) village of Kafr Qaddum. **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the city of Qalqiliya: Mahdi Mohammed Nazzal; (i) Mahmoud Mazen Yaseen: (ii) Basel Abu 'Assab; and (iii) Mohammed Abu 'Assab. (iv) **Closure of Main Roads:** The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus road between the (i) 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 **NABLUS** Alon Moreh as well as the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: Huwwara and Beit Iba checkpoints (set up at the southern and western (i) 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.
- Raids/Attack/Injuries: At 00:15, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus as well as 'Ein Beit el Ma' and 'Askar refugee camps. The Israeli army opened intensive fire in the city of Nablus. In 'Ein Beit el Ma' refugee camp, an armed confrontation took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals, during which the Israeli army injured 3 civilians, including a child and 7-month-pregnant woman. The woman sustained a bullet wound in the back, resulting in the death of her foetus. In the city of Nablus and 'Askar refugee camp, the Israeli army also arrested 2 civilians, including 1 child.

#### • Arrests:

(i) At 13:50, Israeli troops positioned at Al Badhan checkpoint arrested Mohammed Anees Bani 'Odeh.

The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the city of Nablus and in 'Askar refugee camp:

- (ii) Muhyi ad Din Ahmed ash Shahrouri, 14 years old; and
- (iii) Ahmed Hussein al Badawi.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 14:30, a group of Israeli settlers ploughed land belonging to the village of Al Lubban ash Sharqiya at the entrance to the settlement of 'Eli. Following coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO), the Israeli army evacuated the settlers from the area.

#### • 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).
- (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.
- (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.

## **SALFIT**

## **Flying Checkpoints:** At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area (i) between the town of Bruqin and the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid and searched civilians and vehicles. At 17:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to (ii) the village of Yasuf and searched civilians and vehicles. **Raids/House Occupation/Detentions:** At 03:00 on 09 May 2007, the Israeli army raided the town of Deir (i) Istiya, occupied 1 house, and converted it into a military post, after detaining residents in 1 room. At 07:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (ii) At 09:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Bruqin and patrolled the area until 11:30. At 17:35, the Israeli army raided the village of Yasuf, set up a (iii) checkpoint in the village's centre, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the Za'tara junction checkpoint arrested Ala' Rashad Mustafa, a Palestinian National Security officer. **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 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 **JERICHO** 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. Raid: At 04:30, the Israeli army, including 9 jeeps, raided the city of Jericho, arrested 1 civilian, and withdrew at 05:30. **Arrest:** The Israeli army arrested Fares Bakr al Hindi in the city of Jericho. 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:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close all roads to Road # 60 leading to the **BETHLEHEM** city of Jerusalem, thereby isolating the city of Bethlehem from its

towns and villages located west of Road # 60.

leading to the town of Tuqu'.

Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Efrat.

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The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the detour roads

<u>Wall Construction</u>: 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

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## • Raids/Attack:

- (i) At 19:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Fureidis and searched 1 house.
- (ii) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Ash Shawawra and opened indiscriminate fire, while searching a number of houses. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning.

## • <u>Closure</u>:

- (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.
- Wall Construction: 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 on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 02:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the town of Dura and searched civilians and vehicles.

#### **HEBRON**

## • Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces/Detention:

- (i) At 12:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a checkpoint near the city's Palestinian Police station, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the city again and searched 1 house.
- (ii) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the town of As Samoa' and searched 1 house.
- (iii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Halhul. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army, while it was patrolling the area. The Israeli army also detained 1 civilian and released him at a later time.
- (iv) At 04:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Tarqumiya and searched 1 house.
- Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Ayman al Hashlamoun in the city of Hebron.
- <u>Demonstration/Attack/Physical Assaults/Injuries/Detention</u>: At 10:25, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the town of Adh Dhahiriya in protest against the Israeli army's continued closure of the main road connecting the town of Adh Dhahiriya to the city of Hebron. Protestors attempted to remove the dirt barricades and open the road. However, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army fired tear gas grenades. The Israeli army also beat protestors with rifle butts, leaving 2 civilian protestors with contusions. In addition, 5 protestors sustained injuries as a result of tear gas inhalation. The Israeli army also detained an international peace activist.

## **GAZA STRIP**

## ALL DISTRICTS

• The ceasefire agreement that entered into force at 06:00 on 26 November 2006 remains effective. However, the Israeli army, air force, and navy opened fire on 4 occasions. The Israeli army also carried out 1 raid into Palestinian territory. In addition, Israeli combat helicopters patrolled the skies over Palestinian territory on 2 occasions. Moreover, armed Palestinian individuals fired 2 mortars towards the Green Line.

## NORTHERN GAZA

- <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, humanitarian cases, and VIPs.
- <u>Attacks/Air Patrol/Provocation of Palestinian Forces</u>: In violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, the Israeli navy and air force opened fire, as follows:
- (i) At 09:45, the Israeli navy opened fire towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea opposite Al Waha beach northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya.
- (ii) At 16:50, Israeli combat helicopters and navy boats opened fire towards a Palestinian Naval Police location in the area of As Sudaniya northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya.

	<ul> <li>Raid: Beginning at 21:30 on 08 May 2007, in violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, Israeli army infantry forces remained positioned on Palestinian territory near Point 15 on the Green Line north of the town of Beit Lahiya. At 09:00, Israeli army infantry forces were reinforced by 1 armoured vehicle and 1 bulldozer. All Israeli army forces withdrew from the area at a later time.</li> <li>Air Patrol: At 20:30, Israeli combat helicopters patrolled the skies over the district of Northern Gaza.</li> <li>Palestinian Attack: At 13:30, armed Palestinian individuals fired 2 unidentified mortars towards the Green Line, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement.</li> </ul>		
GAZA	Closure of Crossing Point: Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed.		
CENTRAL GAZA	• Attack: At 16:20, the Israeli army opened fire from the area near Point 120 on the Green Line towards a number of farmers east of Al Maghazi refugee camp, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement.		
KHAN YUNIS	Activities not reported.		
RAFAH	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Rafah Crossing is open to civilian passengers in both directions.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		