

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 02 April 2004 – 08:00 03 April 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	1	3	4	Incl. 16 year old child
Injuries	82	4	86	Incl. women & elderly
Physical Assaults	3	—	3	
Attacks	8	6	14	Incl. 9 tank shells
Raids	20	—	20	
Air Patrol	1	—	1	Helicopters
Arrests (per person)	31	3	34	Incl. 1 child & 2 journalists
Detentions	1	2	3	Incl. worship. in Al Aqsa
Destruction of Property	1	1	2	House contents & elect. cables
House Occupations	3	—	3	Converted to military posts
Curfews	6	—	6	Incl. Tulkarem & Nablus
Checkpoints	All	—	All	
Flying Checkpoints	(Dozens)	(Dozens)	—	Closing all districts
Closures (per District)	(All)	(All)	(All)	
Closure of Main Roads	Most	(5)	Most	Esp. connecting governorates
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	3	3	2 Partially open
Religious Sites	1	—	1	Raid on Al Aqsa compound
Settlement Activity	1	—	1	Land fenced in near Hermesh
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	Pal. Nat. Sec. officer beaten
Demonstrations	3	—	3	
Palestinian Attack	—	1	1	1 Mortar towards Dokeet sett.
TOTAL	163	23	186	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<p>Since 22 March 2003, the Israeli army has imposed a total closure over the West Bank and Gaza Strip following the assassination of Sheikh Ahmad Yassin. The Israeli army prevented civilians from crossing the Green Line and entering Jerusalem, closed all crossing points to workers, and restricted movement between cities in the West Bank.</p>
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WEST BANK

<p style="text-align: center;">JERUSALEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the city, closing all roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Worshipers from other districts were prohibited from crossing checkpoints into Jerusalem for Friday prayers, forcing civilians to conduct prayers near checkpoints. • Wall Construction: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Wall construction in Al Eizariya, Abu Dis, Al Sawahira, Sur Bahir and along the main road between Dahiyat Al Bareed checkpoint and Qalandiya checkpoint was suspended for the weekend. (ii) Preparatory work, including land levelling, for construction of the Wall in Beit Surik and Qatanna was suspended for the weekend (iii) Wall construction in the village of Anata was suspended for the weekend. • Attack on Religious Site: Following noon prayers in Al Aqsa mosque compound, the Israeli army raided the mosque, fired tear gas and rubber coated steel bullets towards worshipers, injuring 70 civilians, the majority of whom were women and the elderly, and arrested 15 civilians.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Construction: Construction of the western portion of the Wall in Budrus, Deir Qaddis, Rantis, Beit Liqya, near Beituniya and near the village of Midya was suspended for the weekend. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Deir Sudan, searched 1 house and arrested 2 civilians, including 1 officer.

	<p>(ii) At 21:30, the Israeli army raided the cities of Ramallah and El Bireh and patrolled the area.</p> <p>(iii) At 01:15, an Israeli army jeep raided the village of Kafr 'Ein and patrolled the area. At 03:20, the Israeli army raided the village again and searched several houses, damaging furniture and private property during the searches.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: (i) The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of Deir Sudan, including Mahmoud Shehadeh, a Palestinian National Security officer. (ii) At 18:25, the Israeli army arrested Kamal Khalifa in the village of Budrus while he was tending his sheep.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impede access to health facilities. • Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall south of Jalbun and towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida to the Jordan River was suspended for the weekend. • Settlement Activity: Israeli settlers from the settlement of Hermesh erected a barbed wire fence enclosing 500 dunums of land that has been isolated from its owners as a result of the Wall for settlement expansion.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing civilians from crossing.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing civilians from crossing. • Wall Construction: The Israeli army suspended construction of the Wall for the weekend north and east of the district of Bethlehem, stretching westwards along Wadi Hulwa, the Armenian convent, the Jerusalem/Bethlehem road, and the tunnel road (Gilo); south east of Wadi Hulwa; south east of Beit Sahur and Ish Ghurab military post; and west of the town of Za'tara and Al Fureidis mountain. • Raids/Physical Assault: (i) At 14:30, and again at 03:30, the Israeli army raided the cities of Bethlehem and Beit Sahur and Al Duheisha refugee camp and physically assaulted unarmed Palestinian National Security officers, in

	<p>addition to 2 civilians in Beit Sahur and Duheisha refugee camp.</p> <p>(ii) At 03:30, the Israeli army raided Al Aza refugee camp.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Killing:</u> The Israeli army killed Nassar Abu Nassar, 16 years old child, in the city of Bethlehem. • <u>Demonstrations:</u> <p>(i) At 13:25, confrontations between civilian demonstrators and the Israeli army took place in the city of Beit Sahur. The Israeli army fired tear gas and opened fire towards civilians.</p> <p>(ii) At 14:20, confrontations took place near Bilal Bin Rabah mosque (Rachel's Tomb) between the Israeli army and civilian demonstrators. The Israeli army opened fire towards protestors, killing 1 child and injuring 10 others, including 1 critical injury.</p>
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impede access to health facilities. • <u>Raids:</u> <p>(i) At 11:20, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem refugee camp and arrested 1 civilian. At 21:25, the Israeli army raided the refugee camp again, opened indiscriminate fire and imposed curfew.</p> <p>(ii) At 19:25, the Israeli army raided Dahiyat Dhinnaba and patrolled the area.</p> <p>(iii) At 00:25, the Israeli army, supported by helicopters, raided the city of Tulkarem and Nur Shams refugee camp and imposed curfew.</p> <p>(iv) The Israeli army raided the town of Anabta, searched 1 house and arrested 1 child.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>House Occupation:</u> At 21:10, the Israeli army occupied 1 house located between the villages of Dhinnaba and Shufa and converted it into a military post. • <u>Arrests:</u> <p>(i) The Israeli army arrested Ahmad Abu Ni'ma in Tulkarem refugee camp.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army arrested Muhammad I'mar, 17 years old, in the town of Anabta.</p>
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • <u>Raid:</u> At 23:00, the Israeli army, including 70 tanks, raided the city of

	<p>Nablus and Balata and Ras Al 'Ein refugee camps, opened intensive fire towards civilian houses, imposed curfew, searched several houses, occupied 2 houses and converted both into military posts, arrested 11 civilians, including 2 journalists, injured 1 civilian and severely beat another.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 11 civilians in the city of Nablus, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Suheil Khalaf, journalist; (ii) Sami Al Asi, journalist; (iii) Ibrahim Abu Samra; (iv) Hussein Yassin; (v) Nidal Hassuna; (vi) Muhammad Bastami; (vii) Muhammad Qatnani; (viii) Ali Qatnani; (ix) Samir Habeisha; and (x) 1 civilian from the Al Asi family.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.
<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILYA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impede access to health facilities.
<p style="text-align: center;">SALFIT</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing dozens of entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Attack: At 10:00, the Israeli army opened fire from the area between the villages of Al Sawiya and Al Lubban ash Sharqi, injuring 1 civilian who was driving in the area during the attack. • Demonstration: At 13:20, a mass demonstration including international peace activists took place in the village of Al Zawiya in protest against construction of the Wall.

GAZA STRIP

<p>NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Beit Hanoun crossing is partially open to businessmen over 28. • Attack: At 09:10, the Israeli army opened intensive fire and fired 3 tank shells towards Palestinian Territory east of the town of Beit Hanoun. At 10:40, the Israeli army fired 3 tank shells towards civilian houses in the same area, killing 1 unknown civilian and injuring 2 others. • Palestinian Attack: 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the settlement of Dokeet.
<p>GAZA CITY</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The junction of Nitsareem remains closed. • Attack: At 11:45, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location south east of Gaza city towards the north and west, killing 1 civilian. • Killing: The Israeli army killed Rami Rehayyim near Gaza city.
<p>CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 20:10, the Israeli army fired 3 tank shells from its location east of Al Bureij refugee camp towards a number of civilians, killing 1 civilian and injuring 2 others. (ii) At 20:50, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location near the settlement of Kfar Daroom, resulting in an electrical blackout. • Killing: The Israeli army killed Muhammad Shahin near Al Bureij refugee camp.
<p>KHAN YUNIS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) remains closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. (iii) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) was open to pedestrians over 40 years old. (iv) Abu Holi road was partially open. At 06:00, the Israeli army closed the road between Abu Holi and Al Matahin checkpoints several times and arrested 3 civilians. • Attack: At 22:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Al Tuffah checkpoint towards civilian houses in Al Nimsawi neighbourhood. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians on Abu Holi road, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abdallah Mati; (ii) Hamid Abu Halib; and

RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Closure:<ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) The Gaza International Airport remains closed.(ii) Sufa crossing is open to specific cargo only.
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GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Physical Assault: Masked Israeli Special Forces units in Hadarim prison opened fire with rubber coated steel bullets towards political prisoners, confiscated prisoners' private possessions, including books, and prevented all prisoners from continuing their university courses by correspondence.
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